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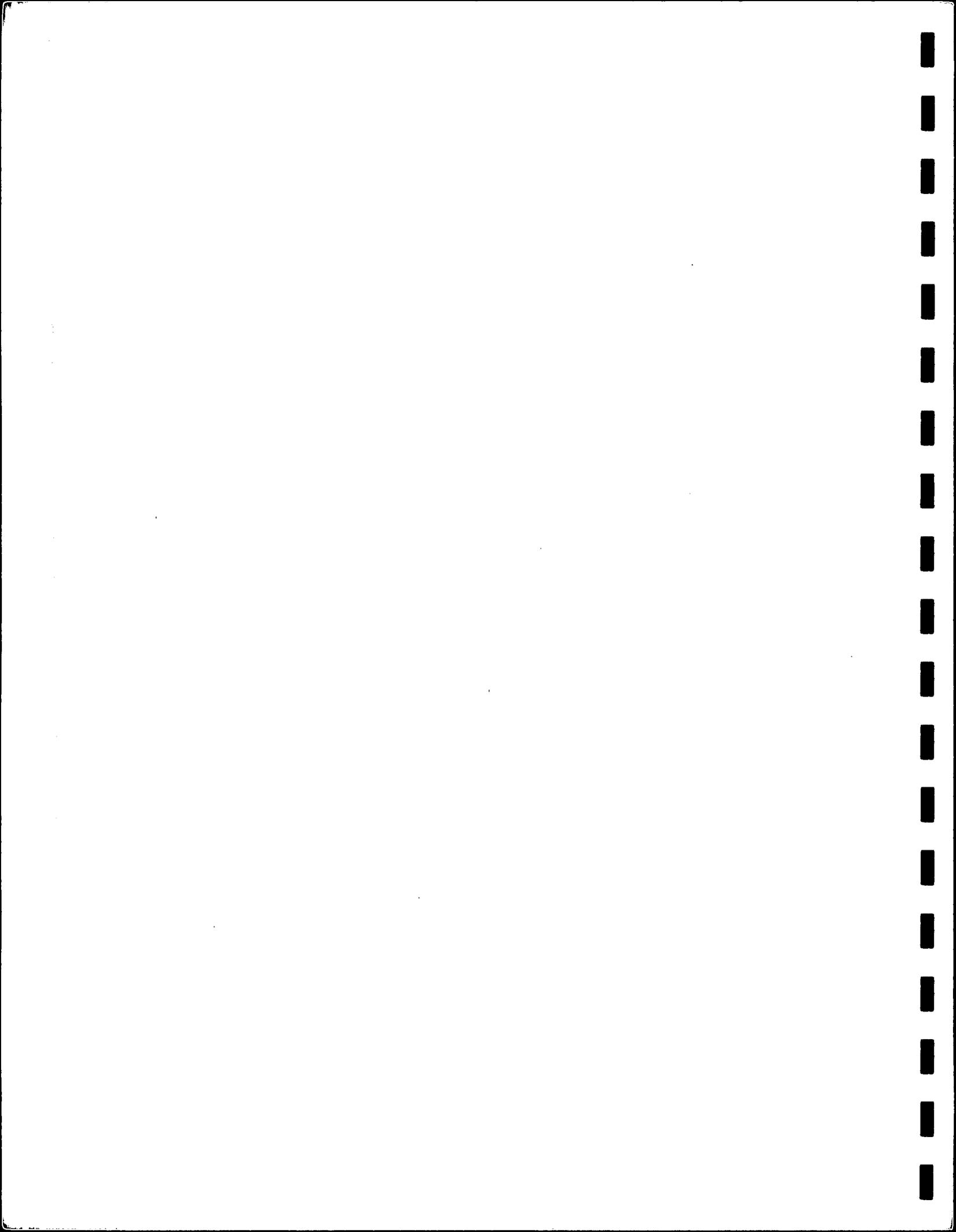
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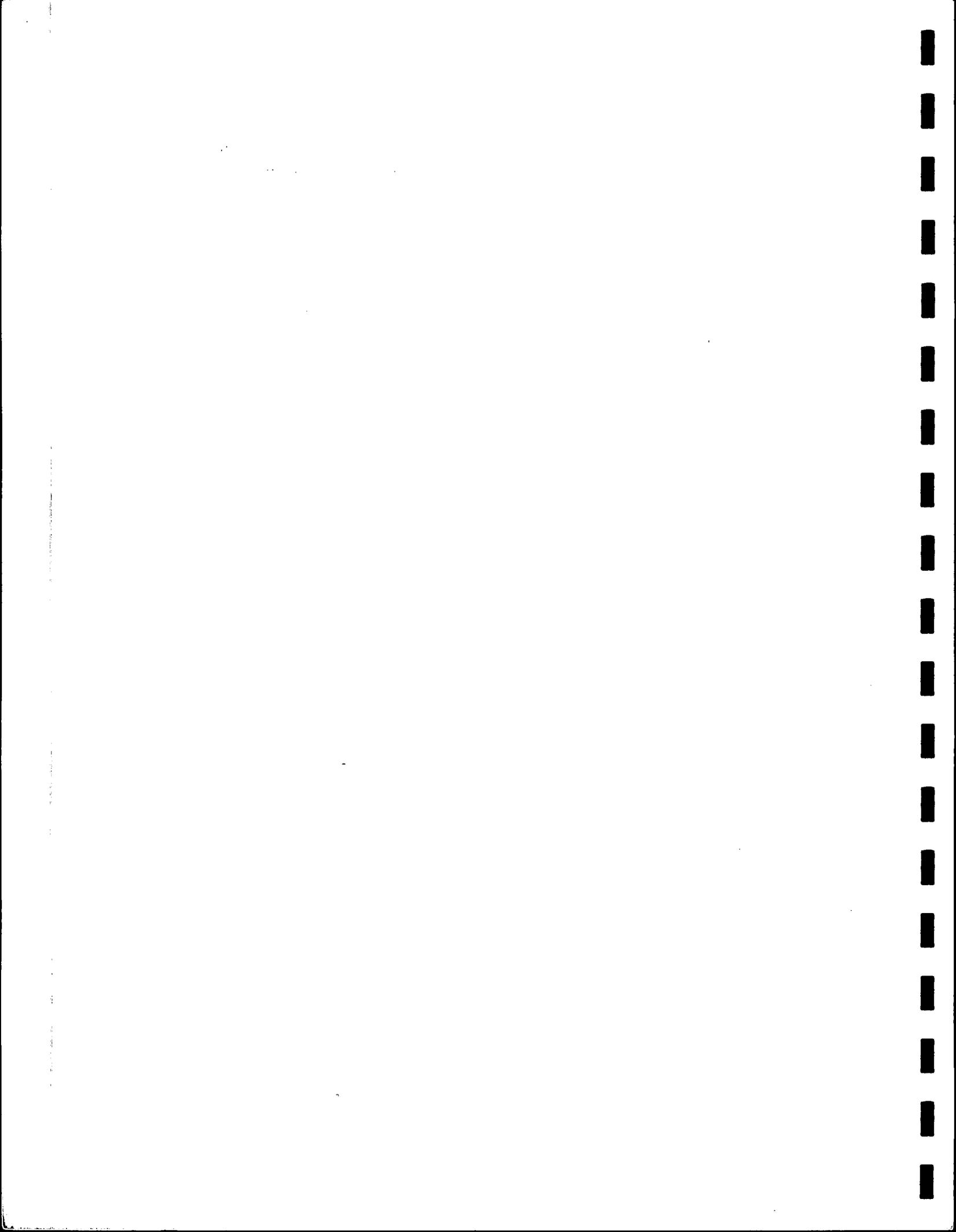
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## Definitions As Used In This Volume

ADOPTION, GUARDIANSHIP -- This includes all adoptions and guardianships including regular adoptions, guardianship with right to adoption and guardianship with right to consent to long-term case short of adoption. Guardianships of incompetents are reported in "Other - General Equity."

ADULT -- A person who is 18 years old or older charged with an offense relating to juveniles to be heard in Juvenile Court.

APPEAL -- The resorting to a higher court to reverse or correct a decision of a tribunal below. This includes appeals to the circuit court, the Court of Appeals, and the Court of Special Appeals.

Appeals to the circuit courts include:

1. Record - The judge's review of a written or electronic recording of the proceedings in the District Court.
2. De Novo - The retrial of an entire case initially tried in the District Court.
3. Administrative Agency - Appeals from decisions rendered by administrative agencies. For example:

County Commissioner  
Department of Taxation and Assessments  
Employment Security  
Funeral Director  
Liquor License Commissioners  
Physical Therapy  
State Comptroller (Sales Tax, etc.)  
State Motor Vehicle Authority  
Supervisors of Elections  
Tax Court  
Workmen's Compensation Commission  
Zoning Appeals  
Any other administrative body from which an appeal is authorized.

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL -- Procedural method by which a petitioner seeks leave of the Court of Special Appeals to grant an appeal. When granted, the matter addressed is transferred to the direct appeal docket of the Court for customary briefing and argument. Maryland Rules of Procedure permit the filing of such applications in matters dealing with post conviction, inmate grievances and denial of or grant of excessive bail in habeas corpus proceedings.

CASE -- A matter having a unique docket number; includes original and reopened (post judgment) matters. (Note: In Fiscal 1982, reopened matters only include those cases which had a hearing.)

CASELOAD -- The total number of cases filed or pending with a court during a specific period of time. Cases may include all categories of matters (law, equity, juvenile, and criminal).

C.I.N.A. -- Child in Need of Assistance -- Refers to a child who needs the assistance of the court because:

1. The child is mentally handicapped or
2. Is not receiving ordinary and proper care and attention and
3. The parents, guardian or custodian are unable or unwilling to give proper care and attention.

C.I.N.S. -- Child in Need of Supervision -- Refers to a child who requires guidance, treatment or rehabilitation because of habitual truancy, ungovernableness or behavior that would endanger himself or others. Also included in this category is the commission of an offense applicable only to children.

CONDEMNATION -- The process by which property of a private owner is taken for public use without the owner's consent but upon the award and payment of just compensation.

CONTESTED CONFESSED JUDGMENT -- Contesting by a debtor of a judgment entered for a creditor immediately upon filing of a written statement by the creditor to the court.

CONTRACTS -- A case involving a dispute over an oral or written agreement between two or more parties.

Breaches of verbal or written contracts  
Landlord/tenant appeals from District Court  
Some attachments and removals  
Some claims for summary judgments

DELINQUENCY -- Commission of an act by a juvenile which would be a crime if committed by an adult.

DISPOSITION -- Entry of final judgment in a case.

DISTRICT COURT - CONTESTED -- Only applies to civil, a case that has gone to trial and both parties (plaintiff and defendant) appear.

DISTRICT COURT CRIMINAL CASE -- Single defendant charged per single incident. It may include multiple charges arising from the same incident.

DISTRICT COURT FILING -- The initiation of a civil action or case in the District Court. District Court criminal and motor vehicle cases are reported as "processed" rather than as "filed."

DIVORCE, NULLITY -- A proceeding to dissolve a marriage. Original filings under this category include divorce a vinculo matrimonii, divorce a mensa et thoro, and annulment. A reopened case under this category includes hearings held after final decree or other termination in the original case. A reopened case may involve review of matters other than the divorce itself as long as the original case was a divorce. (Examples of the latter may be a contempt proceeding for nonpayment of support, noncompliance with custody agreement, modification of support, custody, etc.)

DOCKET -- Formal record of court proceedings.

EQUITY HEARING -- See "Trials."

FILING -- Formal commencement of a judicial proceeding by submitting the necessary papers pertaining to it. Original filing under one docket number and subsequent reopenings (post judgment) under the same number are counted as separate filings. (Note: In Fiscal 1982, reopened filings include only those reopened cases which had a hearing.)

FISCAL YEAR -- The period of time from July 1 of one year through June 30 of the next. For example: July 1, 1981, to June 30, 1982.

#### HEARINGS

Criminal or Law -- Any activity occurring in the courtroom or in the judges' chambers on the record and/or in the presence of a clerk is considered a hearing (except motions to continue or trials). Electronic recording equipment, for definition purposes, is the equivalent to the presence of a court reporter.

##### Examples of Hearings in Criminal

- Arraignment
- Demurrer
- Motion to quash
- Motion to dismiss
- Motion for change of venue
- Discovery motions
- Motion to suppress
- Motion to sever

##### Examples of Hearings in Law

- Motion to compel an answer to an interrogatory
- Motion ne recipiatur
- Motion for judgment by default
- Demurrer
- Motion for summary judgment
- Motion to vacate, open, or modify confession of judgment

Equity -- A presentation either before a judge or before a master empowered to make recommendations, on the record or in the presence of a clerk or court reporter, for purposes other than continuance or final determination of the facts of the case. Electronic recording equipment, for definition purposes, is the equivalent to the presence of a court reporter.

Examples of Hearings in Equity

Preliminary motions presented in court, except motions for continuance  
Determination of alimony pendente lite, temporary custody, etc., in a divorce case  
Contempt or modification hearings

Juvenile -- A presentation before a judge, master, or examiner on the record in the presence of a clerk or court reporter. Electronic recording equipment, for definition purposes, is the equivalent to the presence of a court reporter.

Examples of Hearings in Juvenile

Preliminary motions presented in court  
Arraignment or preliminary inquiry  
Detention (if after filing of petition)  
Merits or adjudication  
Disposition  
Restitution  
Waiver  
Review  
Violation of probation

INDICTMENT -- The product of a grand jury proceeding against an individual.

INFORMATION -- Written accusation of a crime prepared by the State's Attorney's Office.

JURY TRIAL PRAYER - MOTOR VEHICLE -- A request for trial by jury in the circuit court for a charge normally heard in the District Court. A jury trial prayed for a motor vehicle case carries a sentence of more than six months.

JURY TRIAL PRAYER - OTHER (CRIMINAL) -- A request for a trial by jury in the circuit court for charges normally heard in the District Court, except traffic charges or nonsupport.

MISCELLANEOUS DOCKET -- Established for and maintained primarily as a method of recording and identifying those preliminary proceedings or collateral matters before the Court of Appeals other than direct appeals.

MOTOR TORTS -- Personal injury and property damage cases resulting from automobile accidents. (This does not include consent cases.)

MOTOR VEHICLE APPEALS -- An appeal of a District Court verdict in a traffic charge.

NOLLE PROSEQUI -- A formal entry upon the record by the plaintiff in a civil suit, or the State's Attorney in a criminal case, to no longer prosecute the case.

NONSUPPORT -- A criminal case involving the charge of nonsupport.

ORIGINAL FILING -- See "Filing."

OTHER APPEALS (CRIMINAL) -- An appeal of a District Court verdict except one arising from a traffic charge or nonsupport.

OTHER DOMESTIC RELATIONS -- Matters related to the family other than divorce, guardianship, adoption or paternity. Examples of this category include support, custody, and U.R.E.S.A. cases.

OTHER GENERAL EQUITY -- This category includes, among other things, injunctions, change of name, foreclosure, and guardianship of incompetent persons.

OTHER LAW -- This category includes:

Conversion	Attachments on original process
Detinue	Mandamus
Ejectment	Replevin
Issues from Orphans' Court	Trespass

OTHER TORTS -- Personal injury and property damage cases resulting from:

Assault and battery - an unlawful force to inflict bodily injury upon another.

Certain attachments.

Consent tort.

False imprisonment - the plaintiff is confined within boundaries fixed by the defendant for some period of time.

Libel and slander - a defamation of character.

Malicious prosecution - without just cause an injury was done to somebody through the means of a legal court proceeding.

Negligence - any conduct falling below the standards established by law for the protection of others from unreasonable risk of harm.

Miscellaneous.

PATERNITY -- A suit to determine fatherhood responsibility of a child born out of wedlock. A reopened case under this category may involve matters other than the finding of paternity suit. Examples of the latter include reopening the paternity action after having been steted,

contempt proceeding for nonpayment of child support and modification proceedings to change amount or terms of the decree.

PENDING CASE -- Case in which no final disposition has occurred.

POST CONVICTION -- Proceeding instituted to set aside a conviction or to correct a sentence that was unlawfully imposed.

REOPENED FILING -- The first hearing held on a case after a final judgment on the original matter has been entered.

STET -- Proceedings are stayed; one of the ways a case may be terminated.

TERMINATION -- Same as "Disposition."

## TRIALS

### CRIMINAL

Court Trial -- A contested hearing on the facts of the case to decide the guilt or innocence of the defendant where one or more witnesses has been sworn.

Jury Trial -- A contested hearing on the facts of the case to decide the guilt or innocence of the defendant, where the jury has been sworn.

### EQUITY

Court Trial -- A hearing on the merits of the case either before a judge or before a master empowered to make recommendations, to present evidence for the final disposition, where testimony is given by one or more persons.

Jury Trial -- A contested hearing on the facts of the case to decide in favor of either party where a jury has been sworn.

### LAW

Court Trial -- A contested hearing (excluding preliminary motion) on the facts of the case to decide in favor of either party where testimony is given by one or more persons.

Jury Trial -- A contested hearing on the facts of the case to decide in favor of either party where the jury has been sworn.

UNREPORTED CATEGORY -- A filing counted for case type (law, equity, criminal, or juvenile) but not for category within the case type.

THE COURT OF APPEALS :



## THE COURT OF APPEALS

Statistics found in this section of the Statistical Abstract are generally tabulated by fiscal year although the Court of Appeals follows a year related to the term of court, which always begins on the second Monday in September. For each term of court there is a term docket which relates to appeals heard during that term. In the statistics that follow, some tables are tabulated by fiscal year and others are tabulated by term.

The September 1981 term dockets of the Court of Appeals recorded 864 filings. Included in that figure were 646 petitions for certiorari, 175 cases on the regular docket, 27 disciplinary proceedings involving members of the bar, 3 certified questions of law from the United States District Court, 4 character committee proceedings in regard to candidates for the bar, and 9 miscellaneous appeals. By the close of Fiscal 1982 the Court of Appeals had disposed of 863 matters, including 642 petitions for certiorari, 170 cases from its regular docket, 25 attorney grievance proceedings, 4 character committee proceedings, 3 certified questions of law, and 19 miscellaneous appeals.

The disposition of 170 regular appeals left only an additional 59 to be disposed of as of June 30, 1982. That latter number had nearly all been argued, but opinions had not been filed due to the constraints of time. Most of the 170 dispositions were from the 1981 docket (116), while one was from the 1979 docket and 3 were from the 1982 docket. Fifty regular appeals were from the 1980 docket, having been argued in Fiscal 1981, but were disposed of in Fiscal 1982. The Court filed a

total of 140 majority opinions in Fiscal 1982, 12 of which were per curiam. It also filed 28 dissenting opinions, 4 concurring opinions, and 7 dissenting in part and concurring in part. Appeals on the 1981 regular docket were argued, in an average, 3.4 months after filing and were decided in an additional 3.1 months.

Approximately 29.7 percent (52) of the 175 appeals on the 1981 regular docket originated in Baltimore City (Sixth Appellate Judicial Circuit). The Third Appellate Circuit recorded 39, followed by the Fourth with 37, the Fifth with 20, the Second with 18, and the First with 9. Following Baltimore City, Montgomery County had the next highest number of appeals with 31. Prince George's County was next with 29, Anne Arundel County with 17, and Baltimore County had only 14. The combined total of the four metropolitan counties plus Baltimore City was 143 or 81.7 percent of the total 1981 docket.

During Fiscal 1982, 642 petitions for certiorari were disposed of by the Court of Appeals. Criminal petitions constituted 51.9 percent (333) while the remaining 48.1 percent (309) were of a civil nature. The Court granted 18.8 percent (121) of the total petitions, 82 of which were civil and 39 of which were criminal.

During Fiscal 1982, the Court of Appeals admitted 919 persons to the practice of law, including 103 attorneys from other jurisdictions. It also conducted 25 disciplinary proceedings involving members of the Maryland Bar.

TABLE CA-1

DISPOSITION OF TOTAL CASELOAD  
COURT OF APPEALS

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

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Regular Docket	170
Petitions for Certiorari	642
Attorney Grievance Proceedings	25
Character Committee Proceedings	4
Certified Questions of Law	3
Miscellaneous Appeals	19
Total Dispositions	863

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TABLE CA-2  
 APPEALS DOCKETED BY TERM  
 COURT OF APPEALS

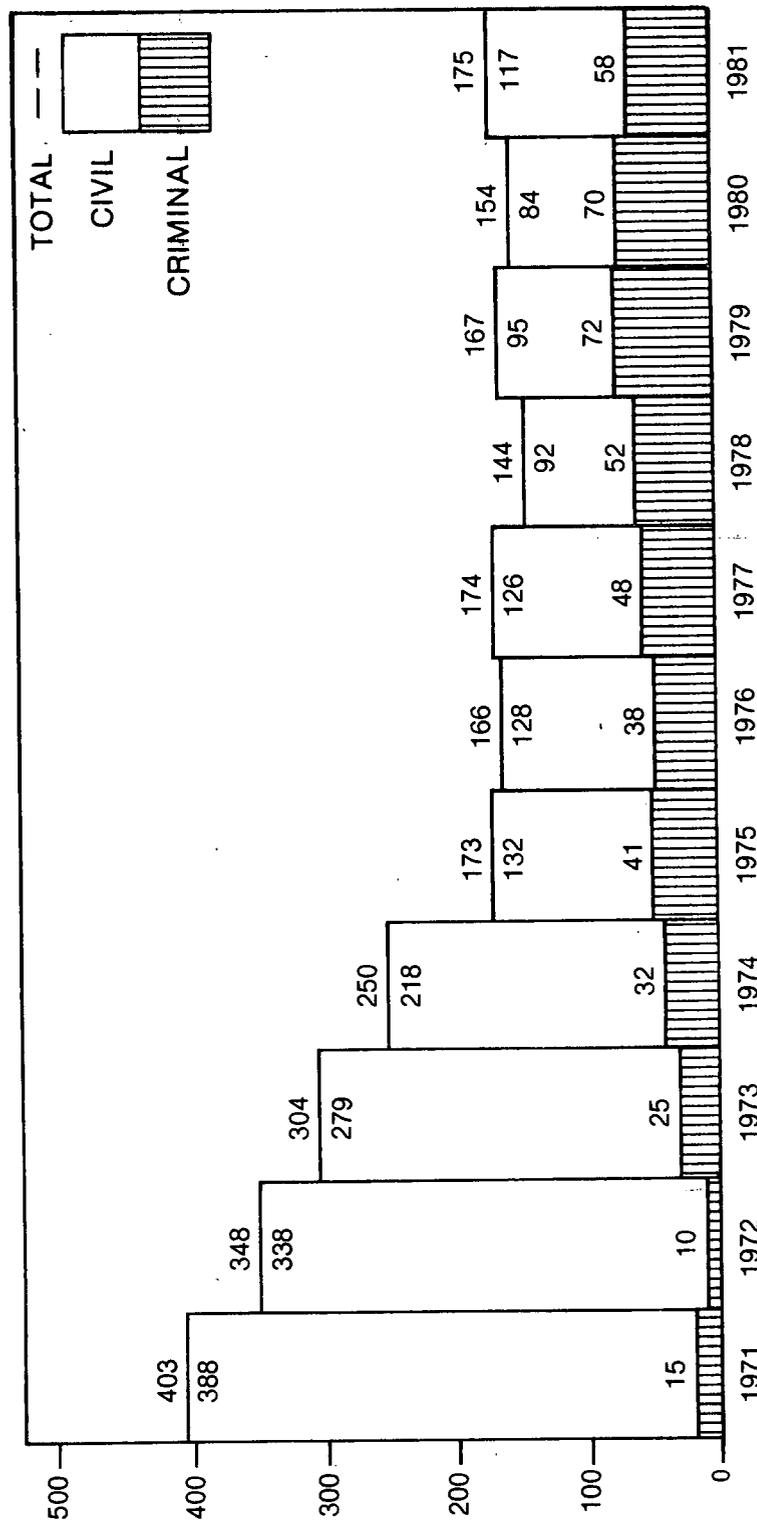


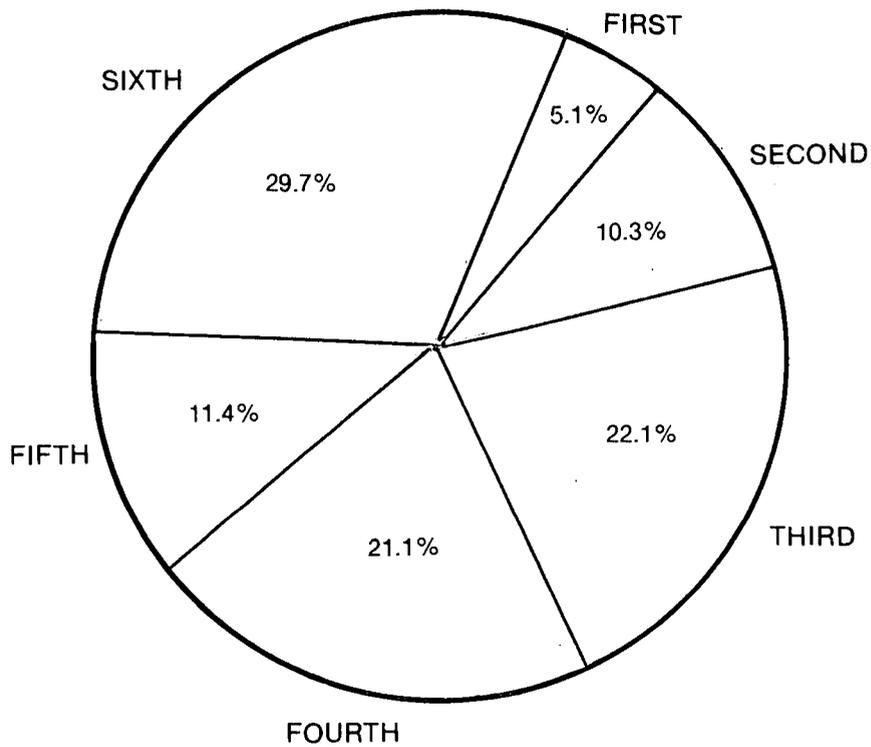
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ORIGIN OF APPEALS BY  
APPELLATE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS AND COUNTIES  
COURT OF APPEALS

1981 TERM

FIRST APPELLATE CIRCUIT		9
Cecil County	3	
Kent County	0	
Queen Anne's County	0	
Talbot County	1	
Caroline County	2	
Dorchester County	1	
Wicomico County	1	
Worcester County	1	
Somerset County	0	
SECOND APPELLATE CIRCUIT		18
Baltimore County	14	
Harford County	4	
THIRD APPELLATE CIRCUIT		39
Garrett County	0	
Allegany County	3	
Washington County	5	
Frederick County	0	
Montgomery County	31	
FOURTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT		37
Prince George's County	29	
Charles County	3	
Calvert County	3	
St. Mary's County	2	
FIFTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT		20
Carroll County	1	
Howard County	2	
Anne Arundel County	17	
SIXTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT		52
Baltimore City	52	
TOTAL		175

**TABLE CA-4**  
**ORIGIN OF APPEALS**  
**BY**  
**APPELLATE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS**  
**COURT OF APPEALS—PIE CHART**  
**1981 TERM**



FIRST APPELLATE CIRCUIT—9 or 5.1%  
 SECOND APPELLATE CIRCUIT—18 or 10.3%  
 THIRD APPELLATE CIRCUIT—39 or 22.4%  
 FOURTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT—37 or 21.1%  
 FIFTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT—20 or 11.4%  
 SIXTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT—52 or 29.7%  
 TOTAL—STATE —175 or 100%

TABLE CA-5

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
PETITIONS FOR CERTIORARI

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

Fiscal Year	Total Dispositions	Number Granted	Percentage
1977-78	491	92	18.7
1978-79	463	101	21.8
1979-80	495	121	24.4
1980-81	655	129	19.7
1981-82	642	121	18.8

TABLE CA-6

PETITION DOCKET

(Petitions for Certiorari)

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Granted	Dismissed	Denied	Withdrawn	Total
PETITIONS	121	3	517	1	642
Civil	82	1	225	1	309
Criminal	39	2	292		333

TABLE CA-7

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
 AVERAGE TIME INTERVALS  
 FOR DISPOSITION OF APPEALS

(In Days and Months)

Docket	Original Filing to Disposition in Circuit Court	Disposition in Circuit Court to Docketing in Court of Appeals	Docketing to Argument	Argument to Decision
1977	417 13.9	213 7.1	81 2.7	51 1.7
1978	507 16.9	270 8.6	105 3.5	83 2.8
1979	486 16.2	281 9.4	112 3.7	83 2.8
1980	432 14.4	331 11.0	115 3.8	110 3.7
1981	385 12.8	175 5.8	103 3.4	94 3.1

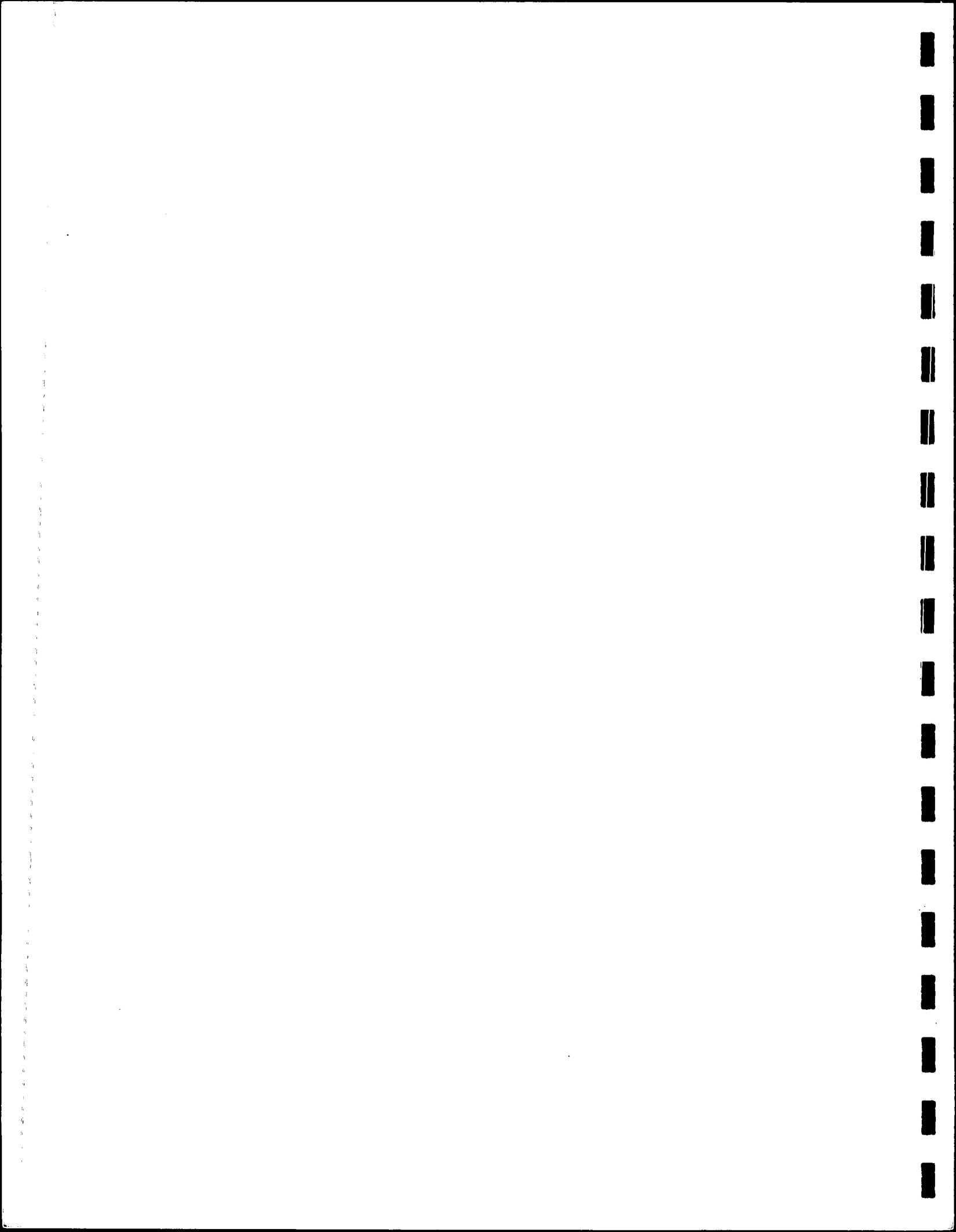
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DISPOSITION OF  
COURT OF APPEALS CASES

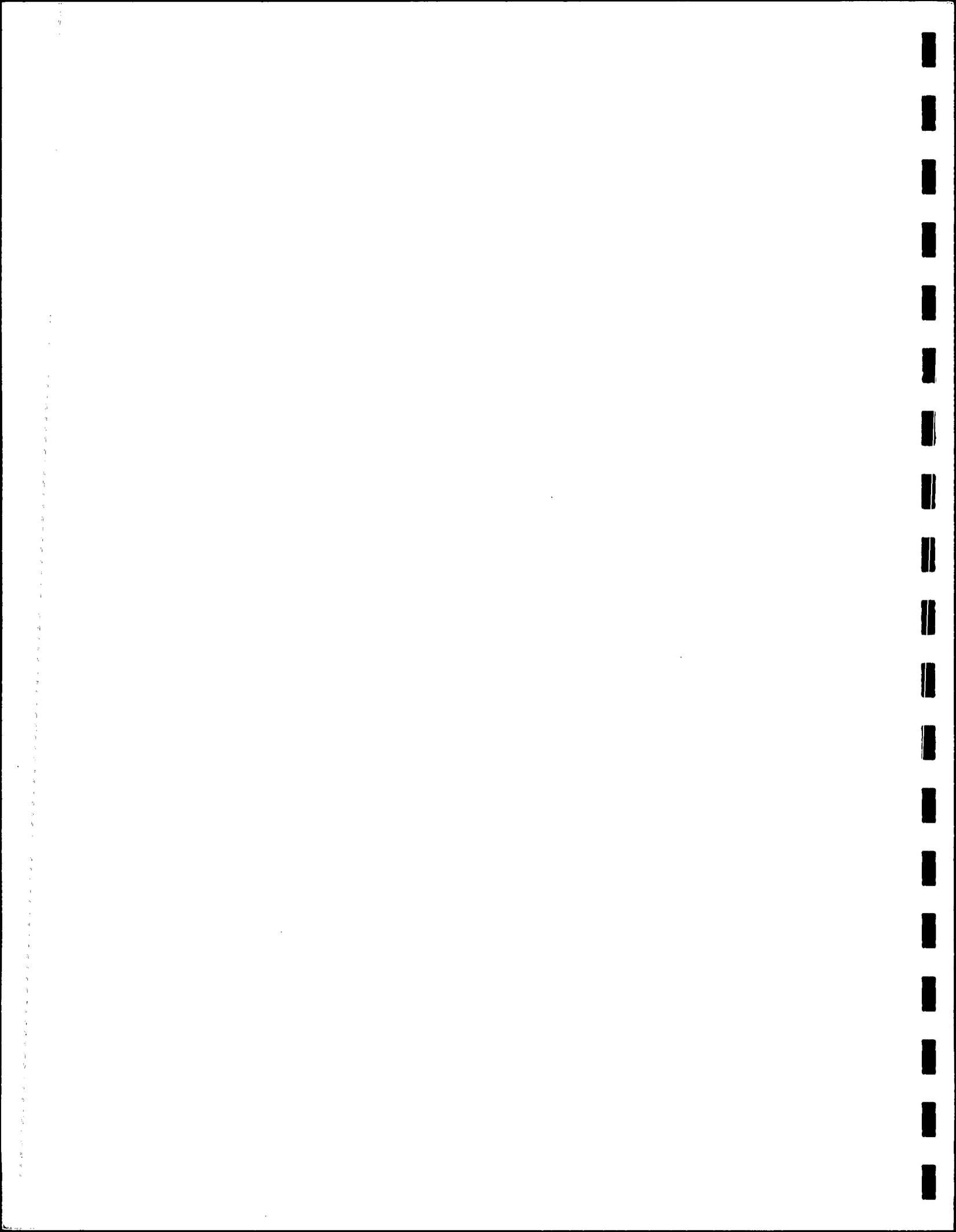
## Regular Docket

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Law	Equity	Juvenile	Criminal	Total
Affirmed	25	11	4	16	56
Reversed	21	7	1	17	46
Dismissed - Opinion Filed	2	1	0	3	6
Dismissed Without Opinion	1	0	1	1	3
Remanded Without Affirmance or Reversal	11	12	0	7	30
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	4	2	0	5	11
Modified and Affirmed	1	1	0	0	2
Dismissed Prior to Argument or Submission	6	2	0	3	11
Transferred to Court of Special Appeals	1	0	0	1	2
Advanced	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Cases Disposed During Fiscal 1982	72	38	7	53	170
Total Cases Pending at Close of Fiscal 1982	16	15	2	26	59
<u>Origin</u>					
1979 Docket	0	0	0	1	1
1980 Docket	25	8	0	17	50
1981 Docket	63	45	9	58	175
1982 Docket	0	0	0	3	3



THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS



## THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS

In studying the statistics in this section of the Statistical Abstract, the remarks as to term of court and fiscal year found in the previous section, are applicable here as well. During the fiscal year, July 1, 1981 through June 30, 1982, the Court of Special Appeals had 1,916 regular appeals before it for consideration. One hundred fifty-nine of those were from the 1980 term docket and had been heard during the previous fiscal year, but had not been disposed of by opinion due to the short amount of time between hearing and close of the fiscal year. Seventy-one cases were advanced from the 1982 term docket while 1,686 were filed on the 1981 term docket.

Although the Court had 1,916 regular appeals before it for consideration in Fiscal 1982, there actually were 1,839 appeals filed during the fiscal year from the 1981 and 1982 term dockets. These 1,839 appeals do not include 1,082 prehearing information reports which were received in the Clerk's Office pursuant to Maryland Rules 1022-1024. These appeals were either scheduled for prehearing conference or proceeded through the regular appellate process as stipulated in Maryland Rule 1024 a.1. Cases finally disposed of by prehearing conference are never placed on the regular docket or listed as filings. Cases not finally disposed of by this process will be placed on subsequent dockets and will then be included among filings.

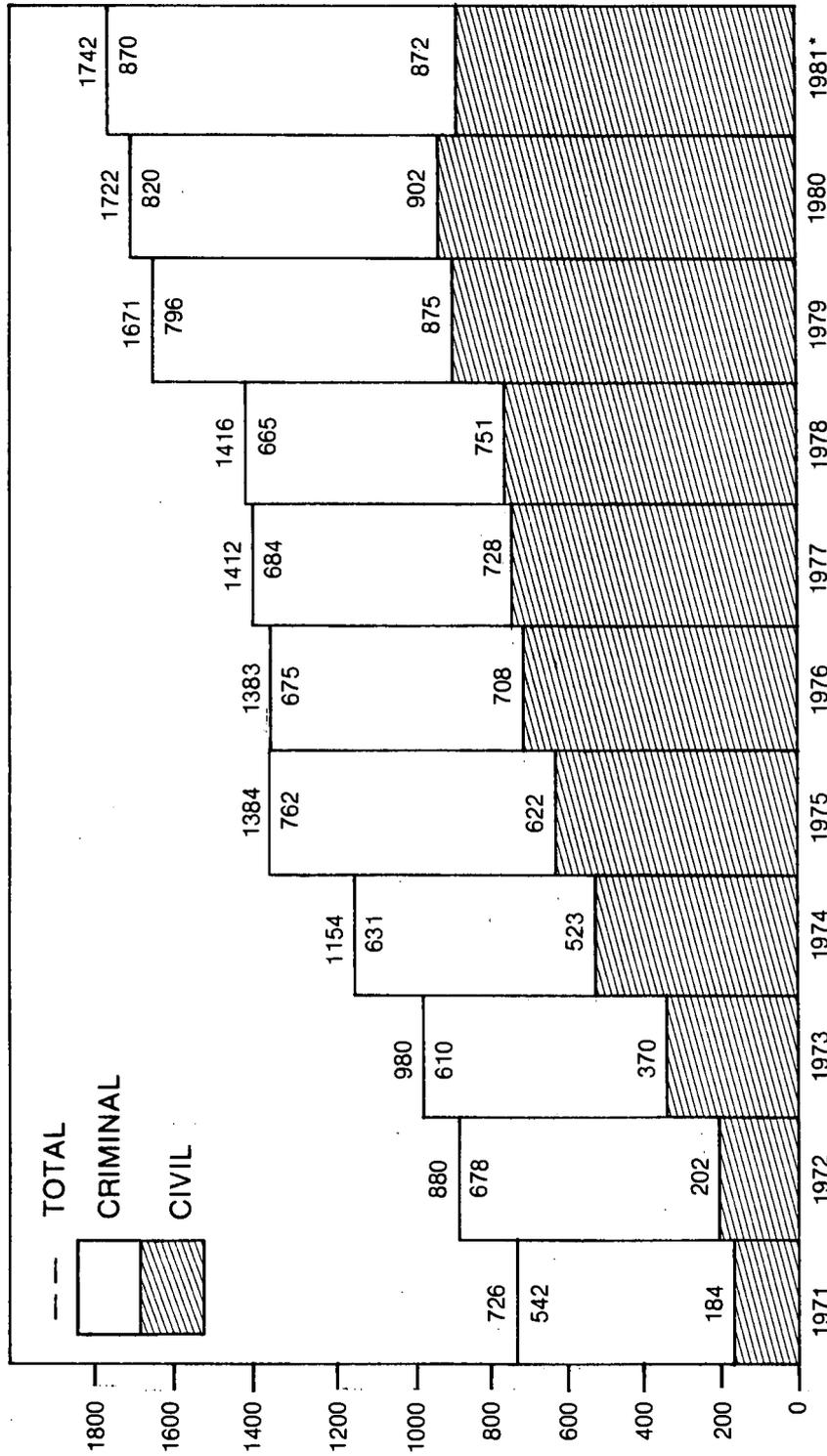
Of the 1,742 appeals on the 1981 docket, 523 (30.0 percent) originated in the Sixth Appellate Judicial Circuit (Baltimore City), followed by the Third Appellate Circuit with 328, and the Fourth with

308. The Second, Fifth, and First Appellate Circuits tallied 210, 207, and 166, respectively. Prince George's County noted 241 appeals, followed closely by Montgomery County with 223. Baltimore and Anne Arundel Counties recorded nearly the same with 167 and 159. The total 790 appeals from these four counties, when added to the 523 from Baltimore City, accounted for over three-fourths (75.4 percent) of the 1981 docket.

By the close of the 1982 fiscal year, the Court of Special Appeals had disposed of 1,618 appeals, leaving 298 pending. The latter number had been argued, but had not been concluded by opinion. The Court filed 1,161 majority opinions of which 176 were reported and 985 were unreported. Appeals averaged 5.4 months from docketing to argument and 0.9 months from argument to disposition.

In addition to its massive regular docket, the Court also considered 134 applications for leave to appeal. It granted 6 of those applications.

TABLE CSA-1  
 APPEALS DOCKETED BY TERM  
 COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS



\*Does not include 1082 civil notices of appeal which were filed in the Clerk's Office pursuant to Maryland Rules 1022-1024. These appeals were either scheduled for prehearing conference or proceeded through the regular appellate process as stipulated in Maryland Rule 1024a.1. Cases finally disposed of by prehearing conference are never placed on the regular docket or listed as filings. Cases not finally disposed of by this process will be placed on subsequent dockets and will then be included among filings.

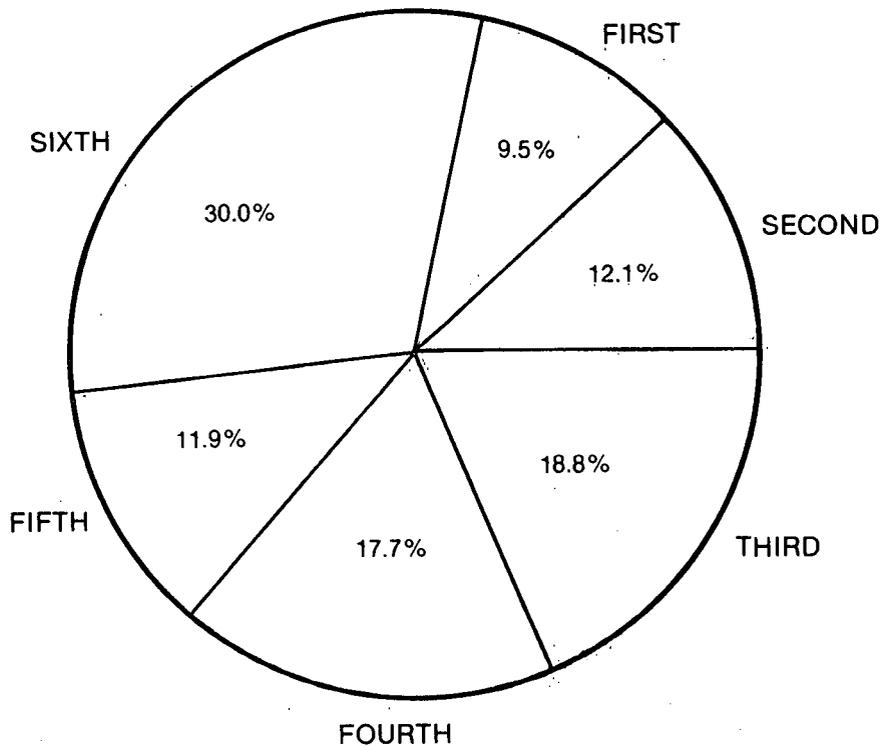
TABLE CSA-2

ORIGIN OF APPEALS BY  
 APPELLATE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS AND COUNTIES  
 COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS

1981 TERM

FIRST APPELLATE CIRCUIT		166
Cecil County	39	
Kent County	14	
Queen Anne's County	14	
Talbot County	15	
Caroline County	9	
Dorchester County	21	
Wicomico County	38	
Worcester County	14	
Somerset County	2	
SECOND APPELLATE CIRCUIT		210
Baltimore County	167	
Harford County	43	
THIRD APPELLATE CIRCUIT		328
Garrett County	8	
Allegany County	19	
Washington County	63	
Frederick County	15	
Montgomery County	223	
FOURTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT		308
Prince George's County	241	
Charles County	24	
Calvert County	22	
St. Mary's County	21	
FIFTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT		207
Carroll County	23	
Howard County	25	
Anne Arundel County	159	
SIXTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT		523
Baltimore City	523	
TOTAL		1,742

TABLE CSA-3  
ORIGIN OF APPEALS  
BY  
APPELLATE JUDICIAL CIRCUITS  
COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS—PIE CHART  
1981 TERM



FIRST APPELLATE CIRCUIT—166 or 9.5%  
SECOND APPELLATE CIRCUIT—210 or 12.1%  
THIRD APPELLATE CIRCUIT—328 or 18.8%  
FOURTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT—308 or 17.7%  
FIFTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT—207 or 11.9%  
SIXTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT—523 or 30.0%  
TOTAL—STATE—1742 or 100%

TABLE CSA-4

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
 AVERAGE TIME INTERVALS  
 FOR DISPOSITION OF APPEALS

(In Days and Months)

Docket	Original Filing to Disposition in Court Below	Disposition in Circuit Court to Docketing in Court of Special Appeals	Docketing to Argument	Argument to Decision
1977	345 11.5	81 2.7	147 4.9	21 0.7
1978	489 16.3	102 3.4	150 5.0	36 1.2
1979	465 15.5	110 3.7	171 5.7	27 0.9
1980	431 14.4	119 4.0	166 5.5	35 1.2
1981	392 13.1	125 4.2	162 5.4	26 0.9

TABLE CSA-5

DISPOSITION OF  
COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS CASES

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Law	Equity	Juvenile	Criminal	Total
Affirmed	176	123	36	523	858
Reversed	58	25	14	60	157
Dismissed - Opinion Filed	16	10	1	4	31
Dismissed - Without Opinion	4	5	0	0	9
Remanded Without Affirmance or Reversal	5	9	1	13	28
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	9	14	3	23	49
Modified and Affirmed	6	6	1	25	38
Stayed	1	2	0	0	3
Dismissed Prior to Argument or Submission	104	108	6	141	359
Transferred to Court of Appeals	<u>41</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>86</u>
Total Cases Disposed During Fiscal 1982	420	329	65	804	1,618
Total Cases Pending at Close of Fiscal 1982	78	48	11	161	298
Origin*					
1980 Docket	34	37	4	84	159
1981 Docket	442	314	71	859	1,686
1982 Docket	22	26	1	22	71

\*These figures represent cases disposed during Fiscal 1982. There are 298 cases still pending on the 1981 Docket.

TABLE CSA-6

DISPOSITION OF APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Granted	Dismissed	Denied	Remanded	Total
Post Conviction	5	9	103	8	125
Inmate Grievance	1	1	6	1	9
TOTALS	6	10	109	9	134

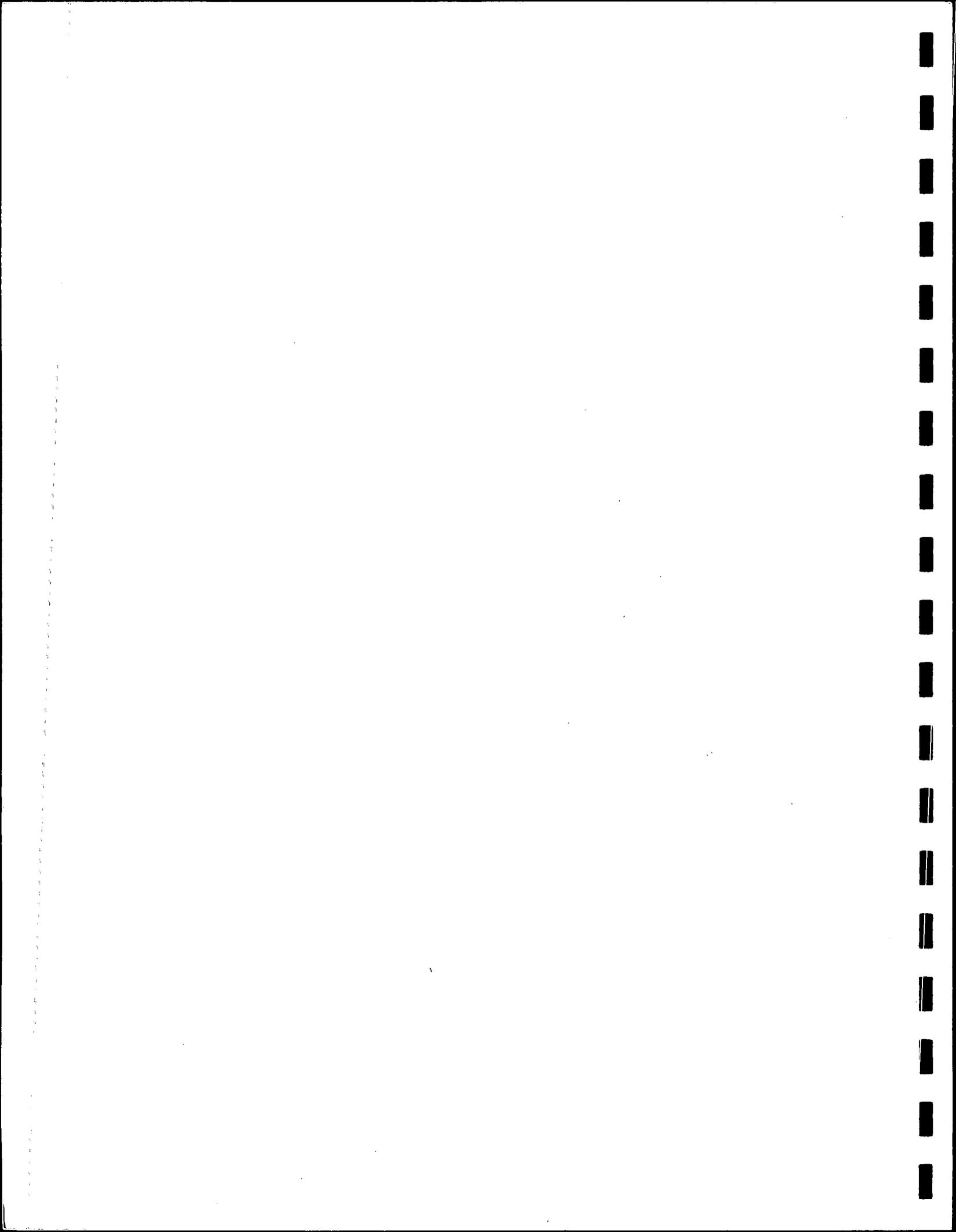
TABLE CSA-7

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS  
CASES AND CIRCUIT COURT TRIALS

FISCAL 1982

Jurisdiction	Court of Special Appeals 1981 Docket	Circuit Court Fiscal 1981 Trials	Ratio of Appeals to Trials
FIRST APPELLATE CIRCUIT	166	1,471	.11
Cecil County	39	488	.08
Kent County	14	66	.21
Queen Anne's County	14	152	.09
Talbot County	15	55	.27
Caroline County	9	42	.21
Dorchester County	21	94	.22
Wicomico County	38	293	.13
Worcester County	14	150	.09
Somerset County	2	131	.02
SECOND APPELLATE CIRCUIT	210	3,188	.07
Baltimore County	167	2,469	.07
Harford County	43	719	.06
THIRD APPELLATE CIRCUIT	328	4,016	.08
Garrett County	8	84	.10
Allegany County	19	273	.07
Washington County	63	265	.24
Frederick County	15	265	.06
Montgomery County	223	3,129	.07
FOURTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT	308	2,202	.14
Prince George's County	241	1,802	.13
Charles County	24	133	.18
Calvert County	22	140	.16
St. Mary's County	21	127	.17
FIFTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT	207	2,774	.07
Carroll County	23	701	.03
Howard County	25	615	.04
Anne Arundel County	159	1,458	.11
SIXTH APPELLATE CIRCUIT	523	6,137	.09
Baltimore City	523	6,137	.09
TOTAL	1,742	19,788	.09

THE CIRCUIT COURTS



## THE CIRCUIT COURTS

### FILINGS

Law, equity, juvenile, and criminal case filings amounted to 141,958 in Fiscal 1982. This figure also includes 3,269 juvenile causes heard at the District Court level in Montgomery County. With respect to total circuit court caseload, 42.1 percent of the filings were in equity, 21.5 percent in criminal, 21.0 percent in juvenile, and 15.4 percent in the law category.

The Fiscal 1982 filings of 141,958 decreased statistically by 3.3 percent over the 146,768 filings recorded last year. Increases were registered in all categories except criminal: Law filings, up 1.1 percent; equity filings, up 11.3 percent; and juvenile, up 17.3 percent. Criminal filings appeared to have dropped 33.6 percent.

One of the reasons for the statistical variance in criminal filings in Fiscal 1982 was that Baltimore City changed its procedures in July 1981 from counting individual charges to counting cases, so that cases now represent incidents rather than charges. However, even adjusting for this change in reporting procedures, there appears to have been a decrease in criminal filings, statewide. This was probably in large part produced by Chapter 608, Acts of 1981, effective July 1 of that year. The aim of this law was to reduce the number of jury trials prayed in District Court, and hence the number of such cases transferred to the circuit courts. A substantial reduction in such jury trial demands was recorded during Fiscal 1982. The increases in juvenile filings were in the delinquency and child in need of assistance

categories. However, these increases were mostly due to shifts from the unreported case categories in Fiscal 1981 to other specific case categories in Fiscal 1982.

In Fiscal 1982, 17,752 law cases filed in the five major jurisdictions of Baltimore County, Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, and Baltimore City accounted for 81.2 percent of the 21,852 State's total law caseload. This represents a small 2.8 percent increase from the 17,268 filings recorded for these jurisdictions in Fiscal 1981. The other 19 counties recorded 4,100 law cases; only 18.8 percent of the total law filings and representing a 5.5 percent decrease over the 4,340 cases counted last year. Declines were also noted in law filings in Baltimore County (5.3 percent), Anne Arundel County (4.7 percent), Montgomery County (2.3 percent), and Prince George's County (0.7 percent). Baltimore City was the only major jurisdiction which showed an increase in law filings, with a 14.0 percent higher rate.

Equity case filings in the four major jurisdictions and Baltimore City accounted for 42,894 cases or 71.8 percent of the State filings recorded at 59,781. The figures in the major jurisdictions rose by 12.5 percent over the 38,126 cases filed in Fiscal 1981. The other 19 counties consumed only 28.2 percent of the total caseload in Fiscal 1982, which amounted to 16,887 cases. This represents a growth of 8.2 percent over the 15,602 cases recorded last year. Growing rates of change were calculated for Prince George's County (36.8 percent), Anne Arundel County (15.0 percent), Baltimore County (7.6 percent), Montgomery County (4.8 percent), and Baltimore City (0.1 percent).

The Circuit Court for Montgomery County reported that, in exercising jurisdiction formerly held by an orphans' court, it conducted 88 hearings and signed 1,722 orders during Fiscal 1982. The Circuit Court for Harford County exercises the same jurisdiction and recorded 15 hearings and signed 584 orders.

Criminal case filings statewide totaled 30,575 in Fiscal 1982. The 23,553 criminal filings for the four major jurisdictions and Baltimore City represent a 36.6 percent decrease as compared to the 37,164 filings recorded last year. As mentioned previously, this was due to a new law and counting procedure. Metropolitan areas continue to consume the large majority of the State's criminal caseload (77.0 percent) compared to the amount of cases filed in the other 19 counties (23.0 percent). The other 19 counties recorded 7,022 criminal cases compared to 8,897 cases recorded last year, resulting in a 21.1 percent decline. Increases were noted in Montgomery (4.4 percent) and Prince George's Counties (6.5 percent). Decreases were recorded in Anne Arundel (2.4 percent) and Baltimore Counties (3.0 percent). A huge drop was noted in Baltimore City at 56.9 percent, but that is due in part to the new counting procedure, as discussed previously.

Applications for review of criminal sentences amounted to 235, of which 13 were withdrawn by the applicants. There were 183 applications in 1980-81 and 270 applications in 1979-80. This year the original sentence was decreased in 29 instances and unchanged in 178. One sentence was increased. Since the inception of the procedure to review criminal sentences in 1966, 4,371 applications have been filed.

There were 29,750 juvenile causes recorded statewide in Fiscal 1982. This includes the 3,269 causes filed in the District Court for Montgomery County. The four major jurisdictions and Baltimore City were responsible for 24,697 filings or 83.0 percent of the total juvenile caseload; a 19.4 percent increase over last year's figure of 20,679. The other 19 counties recorded 5,053 juvenile filings or 17.0 percent of the total State caseload; an increase of 7.7 percent over last year's figure of 4,692. Increases in the metropolitan areas of the State were as follows: Montgomery County (35.6 percent), Prince George's County (25.2 percent), Anne Arundel County (16.9 percent), Baltimore County (16.1 percent), and Baltimore City (12.4 percent).

#### TERMINATIONS

Terminations reported totaled 128,411 in Fiscal 1982 for the four major categories of law, equity, criminal, and juvenile. This figure includes 3,434 juvenile terminations heard at the District Court level in Montgomery County. There were 124,787 case terminations reported in Fiscal 1981. Terminations represented 90.5 percent of filings in Fiscal 1982.

This year the 14,300 law cases terminated in the five major jurisdictions of Baltimore County, Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, and Baltimore City accounted for 76.0 percent of the State's 18,810 law terminations. This represents a 3.7 percent increment over the 13,787 cases terminated for these jurisdictions in Fiscal 1981. The other 19 counties terminated 4,510 law cases; only 24.0 percent of the total law terminations. This shows a 19.1 percent

improvement over the 3,787 cases terminated last year. Statewide, the 18,810 law terminations rose by 7.0 percent over last year's figure of 17,574. In the metropolitan areas of Baltimore City and Baltimore County, terminations declined by 3.2 percent and 8.9 percent. Three jurisdictions, Anne Arundel County, Montgomery County, and Prince George's County, showed an increase in law terminations over the previous fiscal year of 27.1 percent, 5.9 percent, and 17.7 percent, respectively.

Case terminations in the equity category totaled 52,170 statewide, an increment of 16.7 percent over the 44,688 cases terminated last year. The four major jurisdictions and Baltimore City were responsible for 66.2 percent of the terminations or 34,558 cases. This shows a growth of 13.7 percent over the 30,399 terminated last year. The other 19 counties disposed of 17,612 cases or the remaining 33.8 percent of the equity cases terminated in the State. These terminations amounted to a 23.3 percent increase over the 14,289 equity cases terminated the previous year. Increases in the metropolitan areas of the State were as follows: Baltimore County (27.9 percent), Prince George's County (19.6 percent), Baltimore City (14.1 percent), and Anne Arundel County (3.7 percent). Montgomery County declined by 7.4 percent over last year.

The number of criminal terminations in the State amounted to 28,923 in Fiscal 1982; a 28.8 percent drop over the 40,624 dispositions recorded last year. Baltimore City and the four major jurisdictions disposed of 20,230 cases; 69.9 percent of the total but a decrease of 39.7 percent over the 33,537 terminated in Fiscal 1981. Nineteen other counties disposed of 8,693 criminal cases this year compared to 7,087

cases last year, resulting in an increase of 22.7 percent. The total share of the State's criminal terminations by the 19 other counties was 30.1 percent. Accelerations were registered in Prince George's County (23.4 percent), Baltimore County (20.4 percent), Anne Arundel County (17.1 percent), and Montgomery County (8.9 percent). Baltimore City decreased by 28.8 percent due to the new counting procedures and recently enacted legislation affecting jury trial prayers.

There were 28,508 juvenile causes terminated statewide in Fiscal 1982 which represents a growth rate of 30.2 percent when compared to the 21,901 terminations reported last year. This year's figure includes the 3,434 juvenile causes terminated at the District Court level in Montgomery County. Baltimore City and the four major jurisdictions account for 82.8 percent, or 23,596, of the total State dispositions. Last year 17,846 causes were terminated by these same jurisdictions, representing 81.5 percent of the total. The other 19 counties terminated 4,912 juvenile causes this year as compared to 4,055 last year; a difference of 21.1 percent. These counties were responsible for a small 17.2 percent of the State's juvenile terminations. Higher rates of change were recorded in all of the metropolitan jurisdictions: Montgomery County, a huge 124.6 percent; Prince George's County (41.9 percent); Baltimore County (35.5 percent); Anne Arundel County (14.5 percent); and Baltimore City (13.9 percent).

#### TRIALS

In Fiscal 1982 there were 18,810 dispositions of law cases statewide, of which 2,307 were dispositions by trial and accounted for

12.2 percent of the total. The majority of these trials were court trials, 1,382 or 59.1 percent, compared to the number of jury trials, 925 or 40.1 percent. The law jury trial to disposition ratio was lowest in Worcester County at 0.8 percent and highest in Dorchester County at 12.5 percent. Four metropolitan counties and Baltimore City were responsible for 685, or 74.1 percent, of all law jury trials. The other 19 counties held 240 law jury trials, making up only 25.9 percent of the total.

Court trials in law were held in 1,382 cases in Maryland. Anne Arundel County, Baltimore County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, and Baltimore City heard 1,119, or 81.0 percent, of the total court law trials, while the other 19 counties heard 263, or 19.0 percent, of the cases. The law court trial to disposition ratio was highest in Garrett County at 15.6 percent and lowest in Caroline County at 1.3 percent.

The circuit courts reported 28,923 criminal terminations for the fiscal year. There were 8,207 cases (28.4 percent) disposed of by trial. Most trials (6,301 or 76.8 percent) were court trials compared to the number of jury trials (1,906 or 23.2 percent). The majority of jury trials (1,220) were held in the four largest counties and Baltimore City, contributing 64.0 percent to the total 1,906 jury trials held in the State. The other 19 counties contributed to 36.0 percent of the total and recorded 686 jury trials. The criminal jury trial to disposition ratio was lowest in Baltimore County at 1.1 percent and highest in Allegany County at 18.0 percent.

The four largest jurisdictions and Baltimore City were responsible for 3,669, or 58.2 percent, of the total 6,301 criminal court trials. Nineteen other counties held 2,632, or 41.8 percent, of the criminal court trials. The criminal court trial to disposition ratio was lowest in St. Mary's County at 1.5 percent and highest in Somerset County at 78.3 percent.

During the year, 6,729 requests for criminal jury trials were prayed at the District Court level to the circuit court. This represents a tremendous decrease over the 19,395 requests made in Fiscal 1981. This is the result of the new law (Ch. 608, Acts of 1981) that went into effect July 1, 1981, and new counting procedures in Baltimore City.

TABLE CC-1.1

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING		FILED		TERMINATED		PENDING	
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - FIRST CIRCUIT	3,695	5,506	5,148	358	6,386	5,927	459	2,815
Law	784	661	572	89	668	581	87	777
Equity	1,505	3,089	3,089	xx	3,204	3,204	xx	1,390
Criminal	1,352	1,263	994	269	2,048	1,676	372	567
Juvenile	54	493	493	xx	466	466	xx	81
DORCHESTER COUNTY	799	1,135	1,066	69	1,141	1,078	63	793
Law	162	112	90	22	64	50	14	210
Equity	474	769	769	xx	767	767	xx	476
Criminal	163	160	113	47	247	198	49	76
Juvenile	0	94	94	xx	63	63	xx	31
SOMERSET COUNTY	286	635	623	12	662	648	14	259
Law	40	34	30	4	43	35	8	31
Equity	143	461	461	xx	476	476	xx	128
Criminal	99	92	84	8	92	86	6	99
Juvenile	4	48	48	xx	51	51	xx	1
WICOMICO COUNTY	1,101	2,348	2,215	133	2,603	2,467	136	846
Law	273	185	153	32	202	167	35	256
Equity	465	1,334	1,334	xx	1,385	1,385	xx	414
Criminal	332	609	508	101	778	677	101	163
Juvenile	31	220	220	xx	238	238	xx	13
WORCESTER COUNTY	1,509	1,388	1,244	144	1,980	1,734	246	917
Law	309	330	299	31	359	329	30	280
Equity	423	525	525	xx	576	576	xx	372
Criminal	758	402	289	113	931	715	216	229
Juvenile	19	131	131	xx	114	114	xx	36

NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.  
 (2) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-1.2

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED			TERMINATED		PENDING	
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - SECOND CIRCUIT	2,894	4,957	4,779	178	5,159	4,957	202	2,692
Law	561	507	433	74	538	460	78	530
Equity	1,389	2,834	2,834	xx	2,915	2,915	xx	1,308
Criminal	801	1,041	937	104	1,099	975	124	743
Juvenile	143	575	575	xx	607	607	xx	111
CAROLINE COUNTY	386	678	658	20	603	582	21	461
Law	77	60	53	7	79	71	8	58
Equity	229	428	428	xx	353	353	xx	304
Criminal	70	109	96	13	105	92	13	74
Juvenile	10	81	81	xx	66	66	xx	25
CECIL COUNTY	1,202	2,219	2,151	68	2,270	2,178	92	1,151
Law	227	196	180	16	201	170	31	222
Equity	547	1,198	1,198	xx	1,249	1,249	xx	496
Criminal	390	554	502	52	548	487	61	396
Juvenile	38	271	271	xx	272	272	xx	37
KENT COUNTY	255	378	359	19	459	435	24	174
Law	48	50	38	12	54	44	10	44
Equity	132	231	231	xx	273	273	xx	90
Criminal	64	65	58	7	103	89	14	26
Juvenile	11	32	32	xx	29	29	xx	14
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY	475	886	852	34	1,024	989	35	337
Law	70	82	68	14	90	77	13	62
Equity	194	537	537	xx	598	598	xx	133
Criminal	171	160	140	20	197	175	22	134
Juvenile	40	107	107	xx	139	139	xx	8
TALBOT COUNTY	576	796	759	37	803	773	30	569
Law	139	119	94	25	114	98	16	144
Equity	287	440	440	xx	442	442	xx	285
Criminal	106	153	141	12	146	132	14	113
Juvenile	44	84	84	xx	101	101	xx	27

NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.  
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TABLE CC-1.3

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED		TERMINATED		PENDING		
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - THIRD CIRCUIT	16,916	20,303	18,883	1,420	20,445	19,006	1,439	16,774
Law	5,134	3,447	2,948	499	3,300	2,788	512	5,281
Equity	6,934	7,958	7,958	xx	8,245	8,245	xx	6,647
Criminal	3,830	5,604	4,683	921	5,574	4,647	927	3,860
Juvenile	1,018	3,294	3,294	xx	3,326	3,326	xx	986
BALTIMORE COUNTY	13,765	16,348	15,153	1,195	16,858	15,634	1,224	13,255
Law	4,400	2,919	2,516	403	2,847	2,438	409	4,472
Equity	5,366	6,055	6,055	xx	6,476	6,476	xx	4,945
Criminal	3,299	4,718	3,926	792	4,636	3,821	815	3,381
Juvenile	700	2,656	2,656	xx	2,899	2,899	xx	457
HARFORD COUNTY	3,151	3,955	3,730	225	3,587	3,372	215	3,519
Law	734	528	432	96	453	350	103	809
Equity	1,568	1,903	1,903	xx	1,769	1,769	xx	1,702
Criminal	531	886	757	129	938	826	112	479
Juvenile	318	638	638	xx	427	427	xx	529

- NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.
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TABLE CC-1.4

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED			TERMINATED			PENDING
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - FOURTH CIRCUIT	5,067	4,807	4,548	259	5,824	5,503	321	4,050
Law	1,644	665	585	80	1,172	1,025	147	1,137
Equity	2,664	2,410	2,410	xx	2,706	2,706	xx	2,368
Criminal	641	846	667	179	1,027	853	174	460
Juvenile	118	886	886	xx	919	919	xx	85
ALLEGANY COUNTY	2,448	1,589	1,447	142	2,151	1,940	211	1,886
Law	1,130	222	171	51	706	580	126	646
Equity	1,113	759	759	xx	785	785	xx	1,087
Criminal	187	230	139	91	294	209	85	123
Juvenile	18	378	378	xx	366	366	xx	30
GARRETT COUNTY	417	645	612	33	661	639	22	401
Law	98	98	86	12	115	103	12	81
Equity	230	313	313	xx	319	319	xx	224
Criminal	74	131	110	21	120	110	10	85
Juvenile	15	103	103	xx	107	107	xx	11
WASHINGTON COUNTY	2,202	2,573	2,489	84	3,012	2,924	88	1,763
Law	416	345	328	17	351	342	9	410
Equity	1,321	1,338	1,338	xx	1,602	1,602	xx	1,057
Criminal	380	485	418	67	613	534	79	252
Juvenile	85	405	405	xx	446	446	xx	44

- NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.
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TABLE CC-1.5

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED		TERMINATED		PENDING		
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - FIFTH CIRCUIT	16,791	17,461	16,539	922	15,788	14,963	825	18,464
Law	3,883	2,463	2,128	335	2,286	2,042	244	4,060
Equity	9,381	7,658	7,658	xx	6,044	6,044	xx	10,995
Criminal	2,622	4,158	3,571	587	4,483	3,902	581	2,297
Juvenile	905	3,182	3,182	xx	2,975	2,975	xx	1,112
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY	11,763	11,592	11,134	458	10,304	9,923	381	13,051
Law	2,673	1,637	1,491	146	1,560	1,464	96	2,750
Equity	7,128	5,286	5,286	xx	4,179	4,179	xx	8,235
Criminal	1,277	2,485	2,173	312	2,559	2,274	285	1,203
Juvenile	685	2,184	2,184	xx	2,006	2,006	xx	863
CARROLL COUNTY	2,056	2,377	2,198	179	2,335	2,148	187	2,098
Law	404	270	213	57	281	218	63	393
Equity	925	949	949	xx	808	808	xx	1,066
Criminal	649	604	482	122	696	572	124	557
Juvenile	78	554	554	xx	550	550	xx	82
HOWARD COUNTY	2,972	3,492	3,207	285	3,149	2,892	257	3,315
Law	806	556	424	132	445	360	85	917
Equity	1,328	1,423	1,423	xx	1,057	1,057	xx	1,694
Criminal	696	1,069	916	153	1,228	1,056	172	537
Juvenile	142	444	444	xx	419	419	xx	167

NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.  
(2) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-1.6

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED			TERMINATED			PENDING
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - SIXTH CIRCUIT	21,820	16,858	16,117	741	13,714	13,247	467	24,964
Law	7,036	3,495	3,132	363	2,467	2,278	189	8,064
Equity	10,432	7,119	7,119	xx	5,268	5,268	xx	12,283
Criminal	2,684	2,719	2,341	378	2,316	2,038	278	3,087
Juvenile	1,668	3,525	3,525	xx	3,663	3,663	xx	1,530
FREDERICK COUNTY	1,716	2,501	2,407	94	2,926	2,830	96	1,291
Law	279	300	258	42	337	297	40	242
Equity	1,016	1,543	1,543	xx	1,790	1,790	xx	769
Criminal	384	402	350	52	570	514	56	216
Juvenile	37	256	256	xx	229	229	xx	64
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	20,104	14,357	13,710	647	10,788	10,417	371	23,673
Law	6,757	3,195	2,874	321	2,130	1,981	149	7,522
Equity	9,416	5,576	5,576	xx	3,478	3,478	xx	11,514
Criminal	2,300	2,317	1,991	326	1,746	1,524	222	2,871
Juvenile*	1,631	3,269	3,269	xx	3,434	3,434	xx	1,466

\*Juvenile causes processed at the District Court level.

- NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.
- (2) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-1.7

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED		TERMINATED		PENDING		
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - SEVENTH CIRCUIT	23,740	30,567	29,739	828	27,488	26,661	827	26,819
Law	5,020	3,919	3,412	507	3,868	3,342	526	5,071
Equity	13,965	15,275	15,275	xx	11,947	11,947	xx	17,293
Criminal	3,348	4,696	4,375	321	4,790	4,489	301	3,254
Juvenile	1,407	6,677	6,677	xx	6,883	6,883	xx	1,201
CALVERT COUNTY	764	1,294	1,260	34	1,527	1,489	38	531
Law	98	117	95	22	136	110	26	79
Equity	399	619	619	xx	674	674	xx	344
Criminal	140	226	214	12	328	316	12	38
Juvenile	127	332	332	xx	389	389	xx	70
CHARLES COUNTY	1,244	2,694	2,611	83	2,859	2,789	70	1,079
Law	209	298	241	57	254	208	46	253
Equity	750	1,210	1,210	xx	1,443	1,443	xx	517
Criminal	196	479	453	26	489	465	24	186
Juvenile	89	707	707	xx	673	673	xx	123
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY	20,687	25,100	24,448	652	21,127	20,481	646	24,660
Law	4,538	3,306	2,908	398	3,252	2,831	421	4,592
Equity	12,165	12,539	12,539	xx	8,584	8,584	xx	16,120
Criminal	2,892	3,785	3,531	254	3,703	3,478	225	2,974
Juvenile	1,092	5,470	5,470	xx	5,588	5,588	xx	974
ST. MARY'S COUNTY	1,045	1,479	1,420	59	1,975	1,902	73	549
Law	175	198	168	30	226	193	33	147
Equity	651	907	907	xx	1,246	1,246	xx	312
Criminal	120	206	177	29	270	230	40	56
Juvenile	99	168	168	xx	233	233	xx	34

NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.  
(2) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-1.8

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED		TERMINATED		PENDING		
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - EIGHTH CIRCUIT	41,029	41,499	38,682	2,817	33,607	31,539	2,068	48,921
BALTIMORE CITY								
Total - Law Courts	10,493	6,695	5,174	1,521	4,511	3,465	1,046	12,677
Total - Equity Courts	22,159	13,438	13,438	xx	11,841	11,841	xx	23,756
Total - Criminal Courts*	4,150	10,248	8,952	1,296	7,586	6,564	1,022	6,812
Total - Juvenile Court	4,227	11,118	11,118	xx	9,669	9,669	xx	5,676

\*Baltimore City changed its criminal counting procedures from individual charges to cases in July 1981. Cases are defined as charges arising out of a single incident. Thus, one case represents one incident.

NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.  
(2) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-1.9

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE  
FILED, TERMINATED, AND PENDING  
IN THE STATE OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	PENDING	FILED		TERMINATED		PENDING		
	Beginning of Year	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	Cases and Appeals	Cases	Appeals	End of Year
TOTAL - STATE OF MARYLAND	131,952	141,958	134,435	7,523	128,411	121,803	6,608	145,499
Law	34,555	21,852	18,384	3,468	18,810	15,981	2,829	37,597
Equity	68,429	59,781	59,781	xx	52,170	52,170	xx	76,040
Criminal*	19,428	30,575	26,520	4,055	28,923	25,144	3,779	21,080
Juvenile**	9,540	29,750	29,750	xx	28,508	28,508	xx	10,782

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\*\*Includes juvenile causes processed by the District Court for Montgomery County.

NOTE: (1) The beginning inventory figures have been adjusted to reflect additions and deletions of cases resulting from routine maintenance, file conversion, and the removal of old cases that were actually terminated at the beginning of the fiscal year.  
(2) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-2

PERCENTAGES OF ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND REOPENED CASES HEARDJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	LAW		EQUITY		CRIMINAL		JUVENILE		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
FIRST CIRCUIT	661	12.0	3,089	56.1	1,263	22.9	493	9.0	5,506	100.0
Dorchester	112	9.9	769	67.7	160	14.1	94	8.3	1,135	100.0
Somerset	34	5.3	461	72.6	92	14.5	48	7.6	635	100.0
Wicomico	185	7.9	1,334	56.8	609	25.9	220	9.4	2,348	100.0
Worcester	330	23.8	525	37.8	402	29.0	131	9.4	1,388	100.0
SECOND CIRCUIT	507	10.2	2,834	57.2	1,041	21.0	575	11.6	4,957	100.0
Caroline	60	8.9	428	63.1	109	16.1	81	11.9	678	100.0
Cecil	196	8.8	1,198	54.0	554	25.0	271	12.2	2,219	100.0
Kent	50	13.2	231	61.1	65	17.2	32	8.5	378	100.0
Queen Anne's	82	9.3	537	60.6	160	18.1	107	12.0	886	100.0
Talbot	119	14.9	440	55.3	153	19.2	84	10.6	796	100.0
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,447	17.0	7,958	39.2	5,604	27.6	3,294	16.2	20,303	100.0
Baltimore	2,919	17.9	6,055	37.0	4,718	28.9	2,656	16.2	16,348	100.0
Harford	528	13.4	1,903	48.1	886	22.4	638	16.1	3,955	100.0
FOURTH CIRCUIT	665	13.8	2,410	50.2	846	17.6	886	18.4	4,807	100.0
Allegany	222	14.0	759	47.7	230	14.5	378	23.8	1,589	100.0
Garrett	98	15.2	313	48.5	131	20.3	103	16.0	645	100.0
Washington	345	13.4	1,338	52.0	485	18.9	405	15.7	2,573	100.0
FIFTH CIRCUIT	2,463	14.1	7,658	43.9	4,158	23.8	3,182	18.2	17,461	100.0
Anne Arundel	1,637	14.1	5,286	45.6	2,485	21.4	2,184	18.9	11,592	100.0
Carroll	270	11.4	949	39.9	604	25.4	554	23.3	2,377	100.0
Howard	556	15.9	1,423	40.8	1,069	30.6	444	12.7	3,492	100.0
SIXTH CIRCUIT	3,495	20.7	7,119	42.2	2,719	16.2	3,525	20.9	16,858	100.0
Frederick	300	12.0	1,543	61.7	402	16.1	256	10.2	2,501	100.0
Montgomery*	3,195	22.3	5,576	38.8	2,317	16.1	3,269	22.8	14,357	100.0
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,919	12.8	15,275	50.0	4,696	15.4	6,677	21.8	30,567	100.0
Calvert	117	9.0	619	47.8	226	17.5	332	25.7	1,294	100.0
Charles	298	11.1	1,210	44.9	479	17.8	707	26.2	2,694	100.0
Prince George's	3,306	13.2	12,539	50.0	3,785	15.0	5,470	21.8	25,100	100.0
St. Mary's	198	13.4	907	61.3	206	13.9	168	11.4	1,479	100.0
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	6,695	16.1	13,438	32.4	10,248	24.7	11,118	26.8	41,499	100.0
Baltimore City**	6,695	16.1	13,438	32.4	10,248	24.7	11,118	26.8	41,499	100.0
STATE	21,852	15.4	59,781	42.1	30,575	21.5	29,750	21.0	141,958	100.0

\*Juvenile causes heard at District Court level.

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CATEGORIES OF FILINGS  
ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND REOPENED CASES HEARD  
JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Dorchester	Somerset	Wicomico	Worcester	Caroline	Cecil	Kent	Queen Anne's	Talbot	Baltimore	Harford	Allegany	Garrett	Washington	Anne Arundel	Carroll	Howard	Frederick	Montgomery	Calvert	Charles	Prince's	St. Mary's	Baltimore City	TOTAL	
LAW - TOTALS	112	34	185	330	60	196	50	82	119	2919	528	222	98	345	1637	270	556	300	3195	117	298	3,306	198	6,695	21,852	
TORT:																										
Motor Tort	19	5	42	25	10	51	6	19	24	863	138	55	6	82	420	41	110	81	661	28	89	1,068	50	2,237	6,130	
Other Tort	4	0	15	18	8	0	3	3	24	344	42	23	11	30	100	16	49	40	528	5	28	517	29	398	2,235	
CONTRACT	24	13	65	48	14	25	25	26	12	920	116	53	53	81	479	98	199	100	1274	25	87	1,005	66	943	5,751	
CONDEMNATION	0	0	5	3	2	2	0	0	1	36	4	1	0	0	5	0	13	7	27	0	5	24	6	42	187	
CONTESTED CONFESSION JUDGMENT	0	0	8	2	0	1	1	2	19	12	3	0	2	0	1	5	1	0	0	2	0	4	8	4	81	
OTHER LAW	28	9	10	198	14	70	3	14	9	271	108	11	8	62	265	40	44	15	330	29	24	131	8	1,406	3,107	
APPEALS:																										
District Court - On Record	4	1	7	6	0	0	0	0	2	61	19	8	1	14	26	6	59	8	57	1	7	84	2	155	528	
District Court - De Novo	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	1	49	11	2	4	3	120	11	17	3	83	7	11	118	7	103	556	
Administrative Agencies	17	3	25	20	7	16	12	14	22	293	66	41	7	60	151	40	56	31	181	14	39	196	21	1,263	2,595	
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	15	3	8	5	5	31	0	4	5	70	21	28	6	12	62	17	9	13	54	6	4	159	1	144	682	
EQUITY - TOTALS	769	461	1334	525	428	1198	231	537	440	6055	1903	759	313	1338	5286	949	1423	1543	5576	619	1210	12,539	907	13,438	59,781	
OIVORCE/NULLITY	168	87	435	130	125	372	66	156	155	3035	782	434	120	558	2142	386	824	691	2864	181	430	4,848	279	3,827	23,095	
OTHER DOMESTIC RELATIONS	73	106	190	80	74	311	72	82	64	806	398	21	87	271	438	225	155	275	749	69	265	2,604	198	1,171	8,784	
ADOPTION/GUARDIANSHIP	46	25	52	44	22	45	10	17	15	293	126	38	19	77	174	64	77	60	259	22	51	371	44	460	2,411	
PATERNITY	345	188	406	69	85	217	29	178	140	391	159	109	13	196	739	23	82	163	153	169	178	1,940	204	5,313	11,489	
OTHER GENERAL	99	42	214	198	92	189	52	90	63	1437	378	130	70	202	1465	237	273	327	1455	155	222	2,041	153	2,491	12,075	
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	38	13	37	4	30	64	2	14	3	93	60	27	4	34	328	14	12	27	96	23	64	735	29	176	1,927	
JUVENILE - TOTALS	94	48	220	131	81	271	32	107	84	2656	638	378	103	405	2184	554	444	256	3269	332	707	5,470	168	11,118	29,750	
OELINQUENCY	60	32	187	115	51	232	29	67	70	2248	570	144	71	303	1740	462	424	196	2512	285	590	4,575	139	9,982	25,084	
ADULT	0	7	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	165	1	1	0	7	0	4	11	1	2	0	4	7	222	
CHILDO IN NEED OF SUPERVISION	0	3	2	3	4	3	2	8	4	59	5	44	15	18	1	1	3	5	45	31	9	28	1	76	370	
CHILDO IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE	18	4	18	10	18	33	1	20	10	278	48	18	13	75	378	46	2	23	662	15	67	799	17	745	3,318	
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	16	2	12	1	8	3	0	10	0	67	12	7	3	8	65	38	15	28	39	0	39	68	7	308	756	
CRIMINAL - TOTALS*	160	92	609	402	109	554	65	160	153	4718	886	230	131	485	2485	604	1069	402	2317	226	479	3,785	206	10,248	30,575	
INOICTMENT INFORMATION	72	56	301	142	82	426	39	98	91	2037	513	108	87	311	1658	275	694	292	1461	182	380	2,536	147	5,312	17,300	
APPEALS FROM DISTRICT COURT:																										
Motor Vehicle	22	3	42	74	7	21	3	9	6	463	89	40	7	30	152	89	101	27	220	6	13	101	18	1,296	4,055	
Other	25	5	59	39	6	31	4	11	6	329	40	51	14	37	160	33	52	25	106	6	13	153	11	1,531	4,729	
JURY TRIAL PRAYED - MOTOR	13	7	91	72	5	28	6	21	15	204	84	8	6	13	142	78	59	32	248	7	13	242	7	2,515	6,729	
JURY TRIAL PRAYED - OTHER	22	18	100	71	6	39	11	12	31	846	114	21	16	62	239	112	119	21	241	9	44	653	6	1,117	1,924	
NONSUPPORT	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	769	1	1	0	0	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,117	1,924
POST CONVICTION**	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	6	0	1	13	0	0	22	6	1	9	0	13	4	3	62	5	6	154	
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	4	3	15	4	2	9	2	3	4	69	32	1	1	10	96	16	35	5	25	12	13	38	12	2	413	

\*See footnotes on Table CC-1.8.

\*\*Due to an office reporting procedure, post conviction cases were not counted in Baltimore City this year.

TABLE CC-4

CATEGORIES OF TERMINATIONS  
 TERMINATIONS OF ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND OF REOPENED CASES HEARD

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
 FISCAL 1982

	Dorchester	Somerset	Wicomico	Worcester	Caroline	Cecil	Kent	Queen Anne's	Talbot	Baltimore	Harford	Allegany	Garrett	Washington	Anne Arundel	Carroll	Howard	Frederick	Montgomery	Calvert	Charles	Prince George's	St. Mary's	Baltimore City	TOTAL
LAW - TOTALS	64	43	202	359	79	201	54	90	114	2847	453	706	115	351	1560	281	445	337	2130	136	254	3252	226	4,511	18,810
TORT:																									
Motor Tort	15	4	31	23	11	42	11	20	24	899	127	64	12	98	420	54	84	93	487	29	54	1056	61	1,551	5,270
Other Tort	3	2	20	15	5	7	6	6	26	323	24	33	14	26	100	23	22	35	319	3	18	451	18	417	1,916
CONTRACT	19	19	92	57	22	37	14	35	14	900	109	212	61	91	581	99	188	141	961	19	104	1137	82	572	5,566
CONDEMNATION	1	1	5	2	4	5	0	1	1	60	7	10	3	12	15	1	18	10	24	14	5	31	11	91	332
CONTESTED JUDGMENT	0	0	7	2	3	1	1	1	15	11	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	2	0	2	2	2	8	2	64
OTHER LAW	11	9	10	228	21	76	11	12	17	230	82	257	7	49	204	37	43	14	188	42	23	140	11	789	2,511
APPEALS:																									
District Court - On Record	1	2	8	10	0	5	0	0	3	75	20	30	3	5	32	11	26	7	22	4	4	76	2	162	508
District Court - De Novo	0	0	3	3	2	5	1	1	3	52	16	6	3	4	64	3	10	2	33	6	5	144	8	91	465
Administrative Agencies	13	6	24	17	6	21	9	12	10	282	67	90	6	63	138	49	49	31	94	16	37	201	23	793	2,057
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	1	0	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	15	1	4	4	3	6	2	4	2	2	1	2	14	2	43	121
EQUITY - TOTALS	767	476	1385	576	353	1249	273	598	442	6476	1769	785	319	1602	4179	808	1057	1790	3478	674	1443	8584	1246	11,841	52,170
DIVORCE/NULLITY	168	110	480	140	143	445	88	182	158	3712	761	454	124	717	2021	391	673	840	2088	195	507	3206	421	3,835	21,859
OTHER DOMESTIC RELATIONS	62	103	184	71	48	283	76	85	67	694	349	16	81	286	234	167	134	273	254	59	271	1699	235	751	6,482
ADOPTION/GUARDIANSHIP	38	24	52	39	18	60	9	16	17	271	125	38	22	98	143	56	50	65	219	30	67	355	53	398	2,263
PATERNITY	392	194	450	80	55	255	37	213	148	362	134	186	14	151	687	13	22	226	46	207	277	1496	332	4,673	10,650
OTHER GENERAL	90	36	217	245	86	196	61	102	51	1426	389	86	78	334	1055	179	174	381	866	179	321	1700	191	2,131	10,574
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	17	9	2	1	3	10	2	0	1	11	11	5	0	16	39	2	4	5	5	4	0	128	14	53	342
JUVENILE - TOTALS	63	51	238	114	66	272	29	139	101	2899	427	366	107	446	2006	550	419	229	3434	389	673	5588	233	9,669	28,508
DELINQUENCY	43	34	206	102	46	234	23	90	84	2475	399	142	71	328	1621	486	414	183	2632	332	594	4719	215	8,833	24,306
ADULT	0	8	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	158	0	2	0	7	0	0	6	1	0	3	0	5	198
CHILD IN NEED OF SUPERVISION	0	1	2	3	2	4	2	10	5	74	3	39	17	24	6	1	4	6	51	42	9	34	1	85	425
CHILD IN NEED OF ASSISTANCE	13	8	28	9	13	34	3	31	12	343	25	24	18	91	372	54	1	36	701	13	63	823	16	694	3,425
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	7	0	0	0	5	0	1	5	0	4	0	3	1	1	7	2	0	4	44	1	7	9	1	52	154
CRIMINAL - TOTALS*	247	92	778	931	105	548	103	197	146	4636	938	294	120	613	2559	696	1228	570	1746	328	489	3703	270	7,586	28,923
INDICTMENT INFORMATION	113	65	405	222	75	403	60	107	87	2094	509	146	95	356	1722	327	812	396	1069	293	398	2584	195	3,828	16,361
APPEALS FROM DISTRICT COURT:																									
Motor Vehicle	19	3	48	128	7	29	4	15	6	468	80	41	5	34	128	84	123	34	142	6	11	73	19	1,022	3,779
Other	30	3	53	88	6	32	10	7	8	347	32	44	5	45	157	40	49	22	80	6	13	152	21	13	152
JURY TRIAL PRAYED - MOTOR	29	10	142	230	8	28	11	37	17	267	155	24	3	36	171	116	89	64	242	9	22	198	14	2,733	8,088
JURY TRIAL PRAYED - OTHER	54	9	127	263	9	56	18	26	28	908	155	38	12	125	342	128	154	46	207	9	38	664	17	0	583
NONSUPPORT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	547	3	1	0	0	29	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
POST CONVICTION**	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	3	0	0	4	10	1	1	6	2	5	5	30	4	3	82
UNREPORTED CATEGORY	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	4	1	0	0	13	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	0

\*See footnotes on Table CC-1.8.

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**TABLE CC-5**  
**TERMINATIONS AS A PERCENTAGE OF FILINGS**  
**IN THE CIRCUIT COURTS**



TABLE CC-6

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
ALL CASES  
FILINGS AND TERMINATIONS

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	COMBINED ORIGINAL AND REOPENED CASES FILED AND TERMINATED						COMBINED ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND TERMINATED AND REOPENED CASES HEARD			
	1977-78**		1978-79**		1979-80**		1980-81**		1981-82***	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
FIRST CIRCUIT	5,589	5,877	5,691	5,482	6,128	5,964	6,005	5,026	5,506	6,386
Dorchester	1,362	1,384	1,306	1,224	1,370	1,284	1,156	995	1,135	1,141
Somerset	554	568	562	485	618	684	550	493	635	662
Wicomico	2,036	2,307	2,251	2,252	2,522	2,438	2,307	2,095	2,348	2,603
Worcester	1,637	1,618	1,572	1,521	1,618	1,558	1,992	1,443	1,388	1,980
SECONO CIRCUIT	4,220	4,042	4,249	3,883	4,669	4,584	4,436	3,738	4,957	5,159
Caroline	572	555	549	486	618	641	750	661	678	603
Cecil	2,030	1,998	1,892	1,824	2,121	1,976	1,975	1,811	2,219	2,270
Kent	464	429	399	383	457	443	414	385	378	459
Queen Anne's	531	510	753	670	747	757	735	598	886	1,024
Talbot	623	550	656	520	726	767	562	283	796	803
THIRD CIRCUIT	18,020	16,182	19,248	18,172	19,582	21,304	19,642	17,489	20,303	20,445
Baltimore	14,723	13,208	15,648	14,772	16,126	17,751	15,857	14,177	16,348	16,858
Harford	3,297	2,974	3,600	3,400	3,456	3,553	3,785	3,312	3,955	3,587
FOURTH CIRCUIT	5,120	4,526	5,519	4,817	6,052	5,390	4,980	4,359	4,807	5,824
Allegany	1,873	1,422	2,073	1,730	2,112	1,680	1,650	1,293	1,589	2,151
Garrett	645	614	640	590	725	710	706	656	645	661
Washington	2,602	2,490	2,806	2,497	3,215	3,000	2,624	2,410	2,573	3,012
FIFTH CIRCUIT	17,553	15,133	17,956	16,205	18,399	18,550	16,690	14,409	17,461	15,788
Anne Arundel	12,705	11,443	13,123	12,136	12,671	11,834	10,730	9,193	11,592	10,304
Carroll	2,044	1,628	2,221	1,610	2,612	2,868	2,451	2,363	2,377	2,335
Howard	2,804	2,062	2,612	2,459	3,116	3,848	3,509	2,853	3,492	3,149
SIXTH CIRCUIT	13,669	12,229	13,571	12,754	15,180	12,706	15,533	11,031	16,858	13,714
Frederick	2,353	2,286	2,472	2,294	2,688	2,558	2,311	2,130	2,501	2,926
Montgomery*	11,316	9,943	11,099	10,460	12,492	10,148	13,222	8,901	14,357	10,788
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	22,496	20,380	23,468	21,384	25,419	23,866	26,469	22,316	30,567	27,488
Calvert	994	947	1,013	1,080	1,352	1,232	1,640	1,542	1,294	1,527
Charles	1,876	1,810	2,212	1,926	2,497	2,449	2,724	2,519	2,694	2,859
Prince George's	18,278	16,378	19,054	17,038	20,152	18,803	20,415	16,879	25,100	21,127
St. Mary's	1,348	1,245	1,189	1,340	1,418	1,382	1,690	1,376	1,479	1,975
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	48,363	41,448	55,364	46,763	56,517	60,356	53,013	46,419	41,499	33,607
Baltimore City	48,363	41,448	55,364	46,763	56,517	60,356	53,013	46,419	41,499	33,607
STATE	135,030	119,817	145,066	129,460	151,946	152,720	146,768	124,787	141,958	128,411

\*Includes juvenile causes heard at District Court level.

\*\*One criminal case represented one charge (count) rather than one incident in Baltimore City. An audit conducted in 1980 found that by using charge statistics Baltimore City reported 2.19 times the number of criminal filings and 2.01 times the number of criminal terminations as would have been reported under a system comparable to other counties.

\*\*\*Baltimore City changed its counting procedures from individual charges to cases in July 1981. Cases are defined as charges arising out of a single incident. Thus, one case represents one incident.

NOTE: (1) Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.  
(2) Terminations in the law category for appeals are available for June 1981 only.

TABLE CC-7

CASES TRIED BY COUNTY AND CIRCUITJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	TOTALS	LAW		EQUITY	CRIMINAL	
		Court Trial	Jury Trial		Court Trial	Jury Trial
FIRST CIRCUIT	739	25	20	150	408	136
Dorchester	153	6	8	9	112	18
Somerset	116	3	2	26	72	13
Wicomico	377	9	7	101	177	83
Worcester	93	7	3	14	47	22
SECOND CIRCUIT	1,107	27	35	290	604	151
Caroline	64	1	2	1	51	9
Cecil	668	8	21	233	320	86
Kent	52	3	2	19	16	12
Queen Anne's	194	10	3	35	123	23
Talbot	129	5	7	2	94	21
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,960	245	155	877	2,576	107
Baltimore	3,293	213	134	403	2,493	50
Harford	667	32	21	474	83	57
FOURTH CIRCUIT	784	49	53	255	268	159
Allegany	392	12	24	88	215	53
Garrett	110	18	4	76	6	6
Washington	282	19	25	91	47	100
FIFTH CIRCUIT	3,254	216	153	784	1,853	248
Anne Arundel	1,686	144	113	611	656	162
Carroll	665	22	13	82	525	23
Howard	903	50	27	91	672	63
SIXTH CIRCUIT	3,101	256	178	2,319	102	246
Frederick	377	25	17	252	35	48
Montgomery	2,724	231	161	2,067	67	198
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,115	275	216	2,169	126	329
Calvert	137	8	10	83	19	17
Charles	444	20	25	361	14	24
Prince George's	2,484	242	162	1,711	89	280
St. Mary's	50	5	19	14	4	8
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	1,865	289	115	567	364	530
Baltimore City	1,865	289	115	567	364	530
STATE	17,925	1,382	925	7,411	6,301	1,906

NOTE: Some of the differences in criminal court trials and equity trials for courts of similar size may be due to the following reasons but current information is not available to identify variations by court. Some courts report stet cases as court trials, some courts report nolle prosequi cases as court trials, some courts report pleas as court trials, while some courts include hearings before a master.

## TABLE CC-8

CASES TRIED BY MAJOR JURISDICTION

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	State	Baltimore City	All Counties	Four Largest Counties	Other 19 Counties
LAW					
Court Trial	1,382	289	1,093	830	263
Jury Trial	925	115	810	570	240
EQUITY					
	7,411	567	6,844	4,792	2,052
CRIMINAL					
Court Trial	6,301	364	5,937	3,305	2,632
Jury Trial	1,906	530	1,376	690	686

NOTE: Some of the differences in criminal court trials and equity trials for courts of similar size may be due to the following reasons but current information is not available to identify variations by court. Some courts report stet cases as court trials, some courts report nolle prosequi cases as court trials, some courts report pleas as court trials, while some courts include hearings before a master.

TABLE CC-9

PERCENTAGE OF CIRCUIT COURT CASE FILINGS  
ORIGINATING FROM THE DISTRICT COURT

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Prayers for Jury Trials and Appeals	Circuit Court Filings	Percentage of Circuit Court Filings That Are Jury Trials and Appeals
FIRST CIRCUIT	687	5,506	12.5
Dorchester	87	1,135	7.7
Somerset	34	635	5.4
Wicomico	299	2,348	12.7
Worcester	267	1,388	19.2
SECOND CIRCUIT	281	4,957	5.7
Caroline	24	678	3.5
Cecil	119	2,219	5.4
Kent	24	378	6.4
Queen Anne's	53	886	6.0
Talbot	61	796	7.7
THIRD CIRCUIT	2,309	20,303	11.4
Baltimore	1,952	16,348	11.9
Harford	357	3,955	9.0
FOURTH CIRCUIT	337	4,807	7.0
Allegany	130	1,589	8.2
Garrett	48	645	7.4
Washington	159	2,573	6.2
FIFTH CIRCUIT	1,575	17,461	9.0
Anne Arundel	839	11,592	7.2
Carroll	329	2,377	13.8
Howard	407	3,492	11.7
SIXTH CIRCUIT	1,071	13,589	7.9
Frederick	116	2,501	4.6
Montgomery*	955	11,088	8.6
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	1,539	30,567	5.0
Calvert	36	1,294	2.8
Charles	101	2,694	3.8
Prince George's	1,351	25,100	5.4
St. Mary's	51	1,479	3.4
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	4,069	41,499	9.8
Baltimore City	4,069	41,499	9.8
STATE*	11,868	138,689	8.6

\*Excludes juvenile statistics for Montgomery County.

TABLE CC-10

LAW, EQUITY, CRIMINAL, AND JUVENILE HEARINGSJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Totals	Law Hearings	Equity Hearings*	Criminal Hearings	Juvenile Hearings
FIRST CIRCUIT	3,708	143	1,256	1,811	498
Dorchester	676	22	400	145	109
Somerset	311	10	226	17	58
Wicomico	1,669	84	566	745	274
Worcester	1,052	27	64	904	57
SECOND CIRCUIT	3,096	115	955	1,110	916
Caroline	382	8	136	124	114
Cecil	1,488	29	308	622	529
Kent	200	13	16	134	37
Queen Anne's	606	29	284	157	136
Talbot	420	36	211	73	100
THIRD CIRCUIT	11,287	1,252	1,381	3,770	4,884
Baltimore	8,496	938	932	2,372	4,254
Harford	2,791	314	449	1,398	630
FOURTH CIRCUIT	2,614	63	509	977	1,065
Allegany	719	28	164	162	365
Garrett	412	8	69	168	167
Washington	1,483	27	276	647	533
FIFTH CIRCUIT	15,020	784	2,805	6,178	5,253
Anne Arundel	9,589	457	1,490	3,892	3,750
Carroll	1,823	109	408	501	805
Howard	3,608	218	907	1,785	698
SIXTH CIRCUIT	15,170	2,598	3,061	4,606	4,905
Frederick	1,326	117	100	728	381
Montgomery	13,844	2,481	2,961	3,878	4,524
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	38,364	1,689	14,607	9,656	12,412
Calvert	1,610	40	243	494	833
Charles	2,331	72	451	856	952
Prince George's	33,396	1,523	13,488	7,914	10,471
St. Mary's	1,027	54	425	392	156
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	27,490	884	951	9,259	16,396
Baltimore City	27,490	884	951	9,259	16,396
STATE	116,749	7,528	25,525	37,367	46,329

\*Some courts have included both nonjury trials and hearings. (See "Hearings" under definitions.)

TABLE CC-11

AVERAGE DAYS FROM FILING TO DISPOSITION

	COMBINED ORIGINAL AND REOPENED CASES				ORIGINAL CASES ONLY*							
	Law	Equity	Criminal	Juvenile	Law		Equity		Criminal		Juvenile	
	1979-80	1979-80	1979-80	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82	1980-81	1981-82	1980-81	1981-82	1980-81	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT												
Dorchester	216	95	98	52	313	514	116	140	132	122	36	41
Somerset	191	201	91	59	265	465	130	146	78	191	33	53
Wicomico	313	103	88	59	298	403	116	141	86	124	30	42
Worcester	202	180	131	80	194	285	189	272	150	190	66	52
SECONO CIRCUIT												
Caroline	282	150	111	50	279	280	135	234	125	127	47	27
Cecil	218	126	151	42	469	401	189	199	178	168	60	35
Kent	213	177	121	69	267	264	301	182	130	149	110	47
Queen Anne's	206	121	133	46	247	300	184	165	155	189	42	56
Talbot	289	192	134	36	140	397	118	276	116	129	36	80
THIRD CIRCUIT												
Baltimore	481	432	156	80	507	512	265	351	118	118	153	162
Harford	307	210	204	93	402	395	376	246	178	299	59	64
FOURTH CIRCUIT												
Allegany	425	187	144	21	675	1163	306	596	113	166	36	26
Garrett	276	202	184	67	427	435	251	220	174	144	38	55
Washington	247	197	157	28	384	448	233	277	156	170	34	39
FIFTH CIRCUIT												
Anne Arundel	278	207	143	115	413	448	297	249	149	158	107	105
Carroll	260	211	175	64	481	497	433	193	213	186	54	68
Howard	460	328	169	91	503	412	315	282	121	148	65	74
SIXTH CIRCUIT												
Frederick	244	180	119	67	332	335	206	259	150	142	71	68
Montgomery	359	250	155	306	408	414	275	274	161	176	157	238
SEVENTH CIRCUIT												
Calvert	175	136	174	104	310	290	190	257	111	145	102	110
Charles	208	195	123	75	313	297	205	192	126	145	64	76
Prince George's	365	191	171	64	406	449	258	231	193	188	66	50
St. Mary's	236	230	108	67	256	328	218	230	122	145	71	88
EIGHTH CIRCUIT												
Baltimore City			156	78					N/A	139	64	116
	SC 395	CC1 464			SC 498	361	CC1 231	293				
	CC 404	CC2 345			CC 340	261	CC2 196	225				
	CP 926				CP 664	647						
	375	285	155	97	435	444	248	259	N/A	155	82	112

\*Does not include reopened cases or cases with incorrect termination dates.

†Note: A small number of lengthy cases can greatly increase an average, particularly in a small jurisdiction. See Tables CC-26, 29, 33, and 35 for a more detailed breakdown of filing to disposition ages.

TABLE CC-12

POPULATION AND CASELOAD PER CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE  
AS OF JUNE 30, 1982JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Judges*	Population Per Judge**	CASES FILED PER JUDGE		CASES TERMINATED PER JUDGE	
			Civil	Criminal	Civil	Criminal
FIRST CIRCUIT						
Oorchester	1	30,900	975	160	894	247
Somerset	1	19,300	543	92	570	92
Wicomico	2	33,450	870	305	913	389
Worcester	2	16,200	493	201	524	466
SECOND CIRCUIT						
Caroline	1	23,900	569	109	498	105
Cecil	2	31,000	833	277	861	274
Kent	1	16,800	313	65	356	103
Queen Anne's	1	27,300	726	160	827	197
Talbot	1	26,000	643	153	657	146
THIRD CIRCUIT						
Baltimore	12	60,309	969	393	1,019	386
Harford	4	30,540	767	222	662	235
FOURTH CIRCUIT						
Allegany	2	39,900	680	115	929	147
Garrett	1	27,700	514	131	541	120
Washington	3	38,400	696	162	800	204
FIFTH CIRCUIT						
Anne Arundel	9	43,077	1,012	276	861	284
Carroll	2	51,400	886	302	820	348
Howard	4	32,975	606	267	480	307
SIXTH CIRCUIT						
Frederick	2	60,800	1,050	201	1,178	285
Montgomery***	12	49,358	731	193	467	146
SEVENTH CIRCUIT						
Calvert	1	38,000	1,068	226	1,199	328
Charles	2	39,400	1,108	240	1,185	245
Prince George's	13	51,176	1,639	291	1,340	285
St. Mary's	1	62,800	1,273	206	1,705	270
EIGHTH CIRCUIT						
Baltimore City	23	33,100	1,359	446	1,131	330
STATE	103	41,619	1,050	297	933	281

\*Number of judges as of June 30, 1982.

\*\*Population estimate for July 1, 1982, issued by the Maryland Center for Health Statistics.

\*\*\*Juvenile causes not included since they are heard at the District Court level. Juvenile causes in all other counties are included in the civil category.

TABLE CC-13

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
CASES FILED AND TERMINATED PER JUDGE

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	FILED		TERMINATED	
	Civil*	Criminal**	Civil*	Criminal**
1977-78	1,080	397	945	361
1978-79	1,162	428	1,011	403
1979-80	1,540	402	1,546	431
1980-81	1,013	475	852	419
1981-82	1,050	297	933	281

\*Juvenile causes in Montgomery County are not included since they are heard at the District Court level. Juvenile causes in all other counties are included in the civil category.

\*\*Baltimore City changed its counting procedures from individual charges to cases in July 1981. Cases are defined as charges arising out of a single incident. Thus, one case represents one incident.

TABLE CC-14

CASES FILED IN THE CIRCUIT COURT  
PER THOUSAND POPULATION

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Population*	Civil	Criminal	Total
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>				
Dorchester	30,900	32	5	37
Somerset	19,300	28	5	33
Wicomico	66,900	26	9	35
Worcester	32,400	30	12	42
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>				
Caroline	23,900	24	5	29
Cecil	62,000	27	9	36
Kent	16,800	19	4	23
Queen Anne's	27,300	27	6	33
Talbot	26,000	25	6	31
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>				
Baltimore	663,400	17	7	24
Harford	152,700	20	6	26
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>				
Allegany	79,800	17	3	20
Garrett	27,700	19	5	24
Washington	115,200	18	4	22
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>				
Anne Arundel	387,700	23	6	29
Carroll	102,800	17	6	23
Howard	131,900	18	8	26
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>				
Frederick	121,600	17	3	20
Montgomery**	592,300	15	4	19
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>				
Calvert	38,000	28	6	34
Charles	78,800	28	6	34
Prince George's	665,300	32	6	38
St. Mary's	62,800	20	3	23
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>				
Baltimore City	761,300	41	13	54
STATE	4,286,800	25	7	32

\*Population estimate for July 1, 1982, issued by the Maryland Center for Health Statistics.

\*\*Juvenile causes heard at the District Court level are not included.

TABLE CC-15

RATIO OF JURY TRIALS TO POPULATIONJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Jury Trials	Population	Per 1,000 Population
FIRST CIRCUIT	156	149,500	1.04
Dorchester	26	30,900	.84
Somerset	15	19,300	.78
Wicomico	90	66,900	1.35
Worcester	25	32,400	.77
SECOND CIRCUIT	186	156,000	1.19
Caroline	11	23,900	.46
Cecil	107	62,000	1.73
Kent	14	16,800	.83
Queen Anne's	26	27,300	.95
Talbot	28	26,000	1.08
THIRD CIRCUIT	262	816,100	.32
Baltimore	184	663,400	.28
Harford	78	152,700	.51
FOURTH CIRCUIT	212	222,700	.95
Allegany	77	79,800	.96
Garrett	10	27,700	.36
Washington	125	115,200	1.09
FIFTH CIRCUIT	401	622,400	.64
Anne Arundel	275	387,700	.71
Carroll	36	102,800	.35
Howard	90	131,900	.68
SIXTH CIRCUIT	424	713,900	.59
Frederick	65	121,600	.53
Montgomery	359	592,300	.61
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	545	844,900	.65
Calvert	27	38,000	.71
Charles	49	78,800	.62
Prince George's	442	665,300	.66
St. Mary's	27	62,800	.43
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	645	761,300	.85
Baltimore City	645	761,300	.85
STATE	2,831	4,286,800	.66

TABLE CC-16  
 FIVE YEAR COMPARATIVE GRAPH  
 CIVIL CASES FILED \*

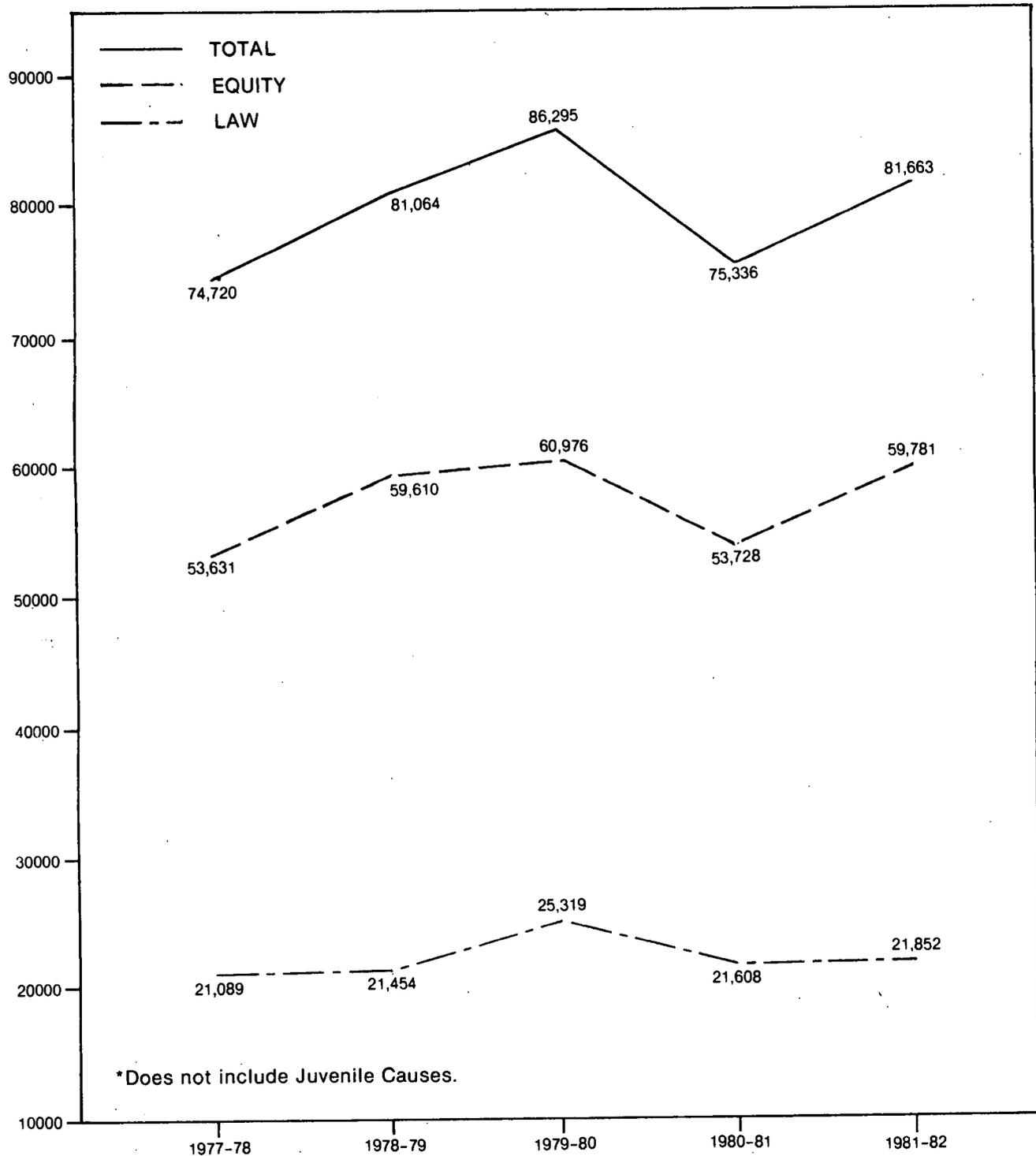
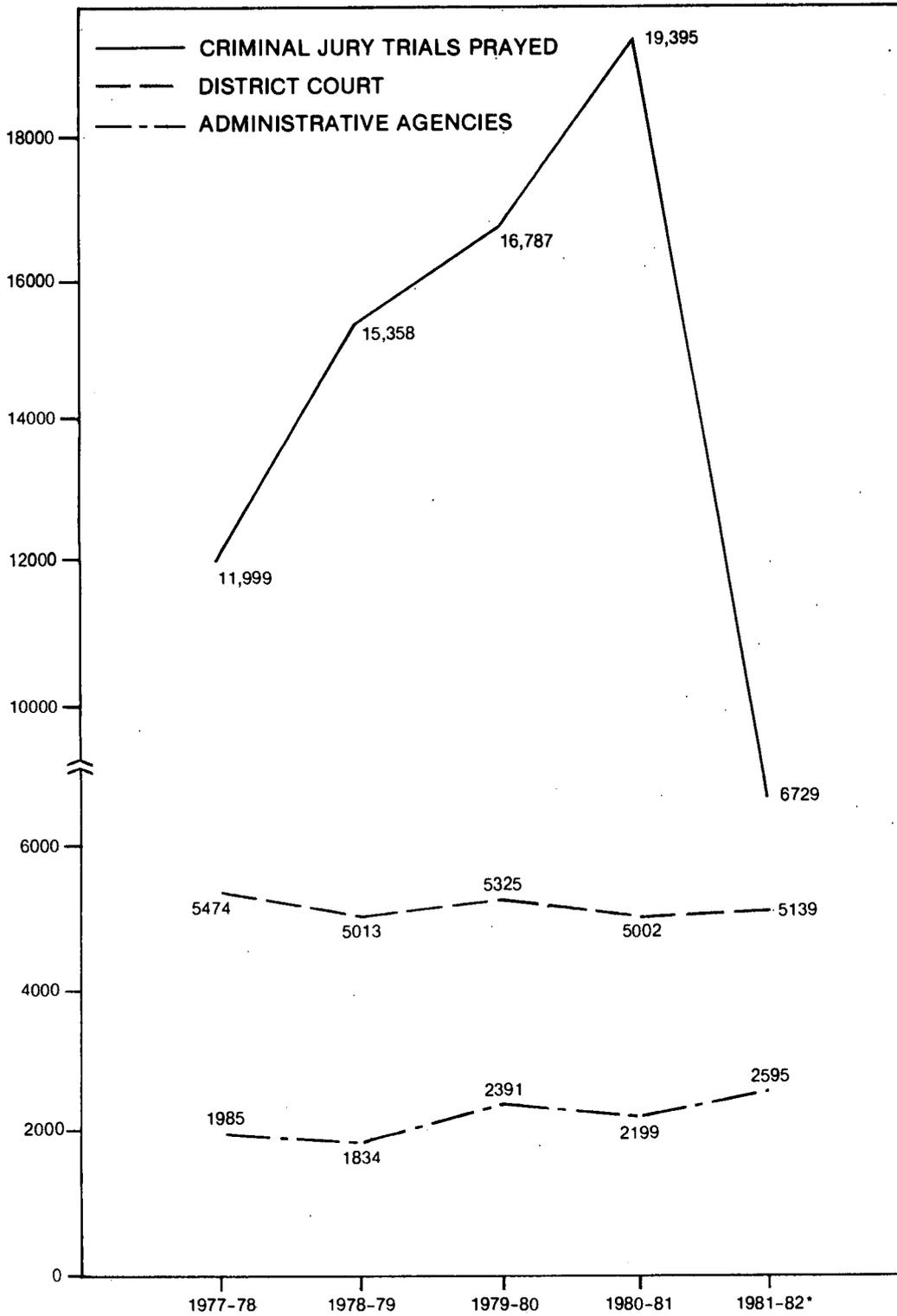


TABLE CC-17

APPEALS FROM DISTRICT COURT AND ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIESJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	LAW				CRIMINAL			TOTAL
	DISTRICT COURT		ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES	TOTAL	MOTOR VEHICLE	OTHER	TOTAL	
	De Novo	On Record						
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>								
Dorchester	1	4	17	22	22	25	47	69
Somerset	0	1	3	4	3	5	8	12
Wicomico	0	7	25	32	42	59	101	133
Worcester	5	6	20	31	74	39	113	144
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>								
Caroline	0	0	7	7	7	6	13	20
Cecil	0	0	16	16	21	31	52	68
Kent	0	0	12	12	3	4	7	19
Queen Anne's	0	0	14	14	9	11	20	34
Talbot	1	2	22	25	6	6	12	37
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>								
Baltimore	49	61	293	403	463	329	792	1,195
Harford	11	19	66	96	89	40	129	225
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Allegany	2	8	41	51	40	51	91	142
Garrett	4	1	7	12	7	14	21	33
Washington	3	14	60	77	30	37	67	144
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Anne Arundel	120	26	151	297	152	160	312	609
Carroll	11	6	40	57	89	33	122	179
Howard	17	59	56	132	101	52	153	285
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Frederick	3	8	31	42	27	25	52	94
Montgomery	83	57	181	321	220	106	326	647
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Calvert	7	1	14	22	6	6	12	34
Charles	11	7	39	57	13	13	26	83
Prince George's	118	84	196	398	101	153	254	652
St. Mary's	7	2	21	30	18	11	29	59
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Baltimore City	103	155	1,263	1,521	-1,296-		1,296	2,817
STATE	556	528	2,595	3,679	-4,055-		4,055	7,734

**TABLE CC-18**  
**FIVE YEAR COMPARATIVE GRAPH**  
**APPEALS FROM DISTRICT COURT AND ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES**



\* There are two reasons for the decrease in the number of criminal jury trials prayed in 1981-82. Baltimore City changed its counting procedures from individual charges to cases in July 1981 so that now cases represent incidents rather than charges. Secondly, a new law (Ch. 608, Acts of 1981) went into effect on July 1, 1981, and its aim is to reduce the number of jury trial prayers to the circuit courts. This law has been popularly referred to as the "Gerstung Law."

TABLE CC-19

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
APPEALS FROM ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCIES

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT	114	122	130	91	65
Dorchester	83	84	81	34	17
Somerset	5	0	3	4	3
Wicomico	17	24	28	33	25
Worcester	9	14	18	20	20
SECOND CIRCUIT	49	48	55	48	71
Caroline	3	3	4	8	7
Cecil	20	24	29	13	16
Kent	6	6	8	14	12
Queen Anne's	8	9	12	5	14
Talbot	12	6	2	8	22
THIRD CIRCUIT	336	256	312	347	359
Baltimore	291	208	259	279	293
Harford	45	48	53	68	66
FOURTH CIRCUIT	107	94	106	61	108
Allegany	45	28	36	1	41
Garrett	5	6	1	4	7
Washington	57	60	69	56	60
FIFTH CIRCUIT	287	232	253	199	247
Anne Arundel	178	156	178	124	151
Carroll	51	32	31	26	40
Howard	58	44	44	49	56
SIXTH CIRCUIT	155	160	218	190	212
Frederick	18	20	30	25	31
Montgomery	137	140	188	165	181
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	171	193	206	259	270
Calvert	22	21	20	21	14
Charles	9	13	18	29	39
Prince George's	135	149	156	187	196
St. Mary's	5	10	12	22	21
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	766	729	1,111	1,004	1,263
Baltimore City	766	729	1,111	1,004	1,263
STATE	1,985	1,834	2,391	2,199	2,595

TABLE CC-20

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
APPEALS FROM THE DISTRICT COURT

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT	181	157	201	310	293
Dorchester	40	29	30	23	52
Somerset	7	14	8	9	9
Wicomico	84	62	83	100	108
Worcester	50	52	80	178	124
SECOND CIRCUIT	138	132	141	120	107
Caroline	16	12	14	7	13
Cecil	81	58	68	67	52
Kent	12	9	6	16	7
Queen Anne's	16	12	14	16	20
Talbot	13	41	39	14	15
THIRD CIRCUIT	787	971	973	926	1,061
Baltimore	666	805	840	795	902
Harford	121	166	133	131	159
FOURTH CIRCUIT	179	203	239	166	211
Allegany	90	91	132	75	101
Garrett	5	17	16	13	26
Washington	84	95	91	78	84
FIFTH CIRCUIT	729	544	585	613	826
Anne Arundel	380	289	304	347	458
Carroll	157	103	125	103	139
Howard	192	152	156	163	229
SIXTH CIRCUIT	404	344	343	408	529
Frederick	60	109	66	46	63
Montgomery	344	235	277	362	466
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	493	466	527	584	558
Calvert	17	21	24	8	20
Charles	70	77	69	49	44
Prince George's	374	334	405	489	456
St. Mary's	32	34	29	38	38
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	2,563	2,196	2,316	1,875	1,554
Baltimore City	2,563	2,196	2,316	1,875	1,554
STATE	5,474	5,013	5,325	5,002	5,139

TABLE CC-21

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
POST CONVICTION CASES FILED

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT	28	13	4	0	3
Dorchester	8	2	1	0	2
Somerset	1	0	0	0	0
Wicomico	10	11	3	0	1
Worcester	9	0	0	0	0
SECOND CIRCUIT	48	15	13	2	6
Caroline	4	0	2	0	0
Cecil	13	8	8	0	0
Kent	0	0	0	0	0
Queen Anne's	14	6	1	2	6
Talbot	17	1	2	0	0
THIRD CIRCUIT	92	50	45	0	14
Baltimore	84	42	42	0	1
Harford	8	8	3	0	13
FOURTH CIRCUIT	6	7	11	2	22
Allegany	0	1	0	0	0
Garrett	3	0	1	0	0
Washington	3	6	10	2	22
FIFTH CIRCUIT	26	14	8	10	16
Anne Arundel	25	9	4	10	6
Carroll	1	2	0	0	1
Howard	0	3	4	0	9
SIXTH CIRCUIT	17	14	8	0	13
Frederick	2	10	7	0	0
Montgomery	15	4	1	0	13
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	84	72	73	55	74
Calvert	0	15	6	0	4
Charles	10	5	5	5	3
Prince George's	74	52	62	49	62
St. Mary's	0	0	0	1	5
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	292	224	226	222	6*
Baltimore City	292	224	226	222	6*
STATE	593	409	388	291	154

\*Due to a reporting procedure, post conviction cases were not counted in Baltimore City in Fiscal 1982.

TABLE CC-22

APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW OF CRIMINAL SENTENCESJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Filed During Year	Withdrawn by Applicant	TERMINATED CONSIDERED AND DISPOSED OF		
			Original Sentence Unchanged	Original Sentence Increased	Original Sentence Decreased
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>					
Dorchester	1	0	1	0	0
Somerset	0	0	0	0	0
Wicomico	4	0	5	0	0
Worcester	4	0	5	0	0
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>					
Caroline	0	0	0	0	0
Cecil	24	0	23	1	0
Kent	1	0	1	0	0
Queen Anne's	0	0	0	0	0
Talbot	0	0	0	0	0
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>					
Baltimore	24	0	15	0	3
Harford	7	1	7	0	0
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>					
Allegany	11	0	3	0	0
Garrett	2	0	4	0	0
Washington	15	6	17	0	1
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>					
Anne Arundel	22	0	11	0	8
Carroll	8	2	1	0	6
Howard	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>					
Frederick	5	3	7	0	0
Montgomery	16	0	8	0	2
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>					
Calvert	2	0	1	0	1
Charles	10	0	11	0	0
Prince George's	19	0	12	0	5
St. Mary's	2	0	1	0	0
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>					
Baltimore City	58	1	45	0	3
<b>STATE</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>29</b>

TABLE CC-23

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
LAW CASES  
FILINGS AND TERMINATIONS

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	COMBINED ORIGINAL AND REOPENED CASES FILED AND TERMINATED						COMBINED ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND TERMINATED AND REOPENED CASES HEARD			
	1977-78		1978-79		1979-80		1980-81		1981-82	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
FIRST CIRCUIT	934	952	960	867	962	993	758	616	661	668
Dorchester	181	162	191	169	201	185	108	93	112	64
Somerset	81	62	94	72	87	129	34	28	34	43
Wicomico	205	235	224	189	248	247	235	202	185	202
Worcester	467	466	451	437	426	432	381	293	330	359
SECOND CIRCUIT	735	652	618	573	668	608	500	365	507	538
Caroline	56	54	51	43	75	67	90	66	60	79
Cecil	421	383	306	297	280	241	188	131	196	201
Kent	73	60	54	68	77	58	63	71	50	54
Queen Anne's	76	86	112	106	116	96	76	77	82	90
Talbot	109	69	95	59	120	146	83	20	119	114
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,074	2,479	3,399	3,023	3,996	3,474	3,629	3,587	3,447	3,300
Baltimore	2,621	2,066	2,889	2,513	3,376	2,985	3,081	3,125	2,919	2,847
Harford	453	413	510	510	620	489	548	462	528	453
FOURTH CIRCUIT	1,015	842	1,020	790	1,110	792	713	569	665	1,172
Allegany	445	253	437	289	442	225	316	165	222	706
Garrett	141	129	142	123	154	149	88	98	98	115
Washington	429	460	441	378	514	418	309	306	345	351
FIFTH CIRCUIT	3,686	3,084	3,530	2,913	3,865	4,069	2,625	2,076	2,463	2,286
Anne Arundel	2,548	2,259	2,434	2,072	2,554	2,569	1,717	1,227	1,637	1,560
Carroll	408	321	441	325	506	596	280	253	270	281
Howard	730	504	655	516	805	904	628	596	556	445
SIXTH CIRCUIT	2,905	2,615	2,997	2,470	3,485	2,573	3,571	2,331	3,495	2,467
Frederick	268	305	305	249	370	312	300	319	300	337
Montgomery	2,637	2,310	2,692	2,221	3,115	2,261	3,271	2,012	3,195	2,130
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,260	2,940	3,548	3,273	4,256	3,566	3,941	3,370	3,919	3,868
Calvert	123	129	159	157	222	219	139	153	117	136
Charles	189	212	279	224	333	283	246	274	298	254
Prince George's	2,780	2,425	2,923	2,679	3,474	2,847	3,328	2,763	3,306	3,252
St. Mary's	168	174	187	213	227	217	228	180	198	226
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	5,480	5,813	5,382	5,794	6,977	5,785	5,871	4,660	6,695	4,511
Baltimore City	5,480	5,813	5,382	5,794	6,977	5,785	5,871	4,660	6,695	4,511
STATE	21,089	19,350	21,454	19,703	25,319	21,860	21,608	17,574	21,852	18,810

NOTE: Terminations in the law category for appeals are available for June 1981 only.

TABLE CC-24

LAW CASES  
RATIO OF TRIALS TO DISPOSITIONSJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Dispositions	Trials	Per- centages	Court Trials	Per- centages	Jury Trials	Per- centages
FIRST CIRCUIT	668	45	6.7	25	3.7	20	3.0
Dorchester	64	14	21.9	6	9.4	8	12.5
Somerset	43	5	11.6	3	7.0	2	4.6
Wicomico	202	16	7.9	9	4.4	7	3.5
Worcester	359	10	2.8	7	2.0	3	0.8
SECOND CIRCUIT	538	62	11.5	27	5.0	35	6.5
Caroline	79	3	3.8	1	1.3	2	2.5
Cecil	201	29	14.3	8	3.9	21	10.4
Kent	54	5	9.2	3	5.5	2	3.7
Queen Anne's	90	13	14.4	10	11.1	3	3.3
Talbot	114	12	10.5	5	4.4	7	6.1
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,300	400	12.1	245	7.4	155	4.7
Baltimore	2,847	347	12.2	213	7.5	134	4.7
Harford	453	53	11.7	32	7.1	21	4.6
FOURTH CIRCUIT	1,172	102	8.7	49	4.2	53	4.5
Allegany	706	36	5.1	12	1.7	24	3.4
Garrett	115	22	19.1	18	15.6	4	3.5
Washington	351	44	12.5	19	5.4	25	7.1
FIFTH CIRCUIT	2,286	369	16.1	216	9.4	153	6.7
Anne Arundel	1,560	257	16.5	144	9.2	113	7.2
Carroll	281	35	12.4	22	7.8	13	4.6
Howard	445	77	17.3	50	11.2	27	6.1
SIXTH CIRCUIT	2,467	434	17.6	256	10.4	178	7.2
Frederick	337	42	12.4	25	7.4	17	5.0
Montgomery	2,130	392	18.4	231	10.8	161	7.6
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,868	491	12.7	275	7.1	216	5.6
Calvert	136	18	13.2	8	5.9	10	7.3
Charles	254	45	17.7	20	7.9	25	9.8
Prince George's	3,252	404	12.4	242	7.4	162	5.0
St. Mary's	226	24	10.6	5	2.2	19	8.4
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	4,511	404	8.9	289	6.4	115	2.5
Baltimore City	4,511	404	8.9	289	6.4	115	2.5
STATE	18,810	2,307	12.2	1,382	7.3	925	4.9

TABLE CC-25

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
LAW CASES TRIED

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT	95	77	91	39	45
Dorchester	22	23	17	9	14
Somerset	4	5	26	1	5
Wicomico	42	22	31	17	16
Worcester	27	27	17	12	10
SECOND CIRCUIT	107	57	70	76	62
Caroline	4	9	1	8	3
Cecil	50	23	30	20	29
Kent	17	14	14	18	5
Queen Anne's	24	9	14	25	13
Talbot	12	2	11	5	12
THIRD CIRCUIT	390	289	353	412	400
Baltimore	280	212	289	339	347
Harford	110	77	64	73	53
FOURTH CIRCUIT	78	86	73	91	102
Allegany	16	21	17	27	36
Garrett	15	17	16	19	22
Washington	47	48	40	45	44
FIFTH CIRCUIT	337	389	501	406	369
Anne Arundel	253	235	302	286	257
Carroll	36	36	73	43	35
Howard	48	118	126	77	77
SIXTH CIRCUIT	332	313	216	813	434
Frederick	44	44	35	41	42
Montgomery	288	269	181	772	392
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	394	346	400	373	491
Calvert	11	18	41	20	18
Charles	43	42	53	53	45
Prince George's	303	260	262	286	404
St. Mary's	37	26	44	14	24
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	660	922	712	437	404
Baltimore City	660	922	712	437	404
STATE	2,393	2,479	2,416	2,647	2,307

TABLE CC-26

LAW -- AVERAGE DAYS FROM FILING TO DISPOSITION BY AGE OF CASES  
AND CUMULATIVE PERCENTAGES OF DISPOSITIONS WITHIN  
SPECIFIC TIME PERIODSJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Cases	AVERAGE IN DAYS FILING TO DISPOSITION		PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL CASES DISPOSED OF LESS THAN:				
		All Cases	Excluding Cases Over 1081 Days	61 Days	181 Days	361 Days	721 Days	1081 Days
<b>FIRST CIRCUIT</b>								
Dorchester	62	514	395	22.6	33.9	43.5	71.0	88.7
Somerset	40	465	276	20.0	47.9	62.5	75.0	85.0
Wicomico	193	403	348	15.0	32.1	48.7	87.0	95.3
Worcester	354	285	221	49.2	57.9	67.2	86.7	94.9
<b>SECOND CIRCUIT</b>								
Caroline	77	280	247	29.9	44.2	74.0	90.9	97.4
Cecil	199	401	328	17.1	35.2	52.8	84.9	92.5
Kent	54	264	264	9.3	46.3	74.1	94.4	100.0
Queen Anne's	83	300	258	19.3	42.2	73.5	86.7	95.2
Talbot	112	397	315	25.0	37.5	58.9	78.6	92.0
<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>								
Baltimore	2,792	512	394	10.0	26.9	46.3	74.3	89.1
Harford	446	395	351	24.4	32.5	53.8	84.1	95.7
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Allegany	706	1,163	561	1.0	4.5	10.1	35.7	51.3
Garrett	113	435	349	10.6	28.3	45.1	83.2	92.0
Washington	349	448	387	12.3	26.9	44.4	80.2	93.4
<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Anne Arundel	1,552	448	410	8.0	27.1	49.0	78.9	95.9
Carroll	275	497	331	15.6	34.2	50.5	74.5	84.4
Howard	433	412	355	11.8	32.3	55.2	83.6	94.7
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Frederick	329	335	302	10.6	32.8	66.6	93.0	97.6
Montgomery	2,108	414	363	9.5	28.1	51.9	85.2	95.4
<b>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Calvert	131	290	290	14.5	40.5	66.4	94.7	100.0
Charles	253	297	290	17.4	35.2	68.4	94.1	99.2
Prince George's	3,227	449	402	7.3	25.2	44.1	82.8	95.1
St. Mary's	225	328	297	14.7	34.7	66.7	91.1	97.8
<b>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</b>								
Baltimore City Superior Court	2,419	361	333	13.1	34.0	56.6	89.7	97.4
City Court	1,614	261	234	32.3	59.4	71.1	92.3	97.6
Common Pleas	451	647	499	6.7	17.5	28.8	64.5	84.9
<b>STATE</b>	<b>18,597</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>31.3</b>	<b>50.8</b>	<b>81.5</b>	<b>92.8</b>

NOTE: Does not include reopened cases or cases with incorrect termination dates. In some counties the number of terminated cases may differ slightly and will be lower than figures appearing on other tables in this report.

TABLE CC-27

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
EQUITY CASES  
FILINGS AND TERMINATIONS

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	COMBINEO ORIGINAL AND REOPENEO CASES FILEO AND TERMINATEO						COMBINEO ORIGINAL CASES FILEO AND TERMINATEO AND REOPENEO CASES HEARO			
	1977-78		1978-79		1979-80		1980-81		1981-82	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
FIRST CIRCUIT	3,142	3,069	3,338	3,249	3,522	3,411	2,655	2,562	3,089	3,204
Oorchester	787	796	826	772	839	763	729	684	769	767
Somerset	334	335	312	286	326	345	281	285	461	476
Wicomico	1,319	1,270	1,442	1,486	1,634	1,560	1,150	1,126	1,334	1,385
Worcester	702	668	758	705	723	743	495	467	525	576
SECONO CIRCUIT	2,035	1,945	2,239	2,030	2,487	2,516	2,423	2,204	2,834	2,915
Caroline	336	306	341	303	378	378	507	478	428	353
Cecil	935	952	970	929	1,143	1,141	1,047	1,055	1,198	1,249
Kent	211	187	223	186	224	225	220	222	231	273
Queen Anne's	260	235	393	344	428	453	383	338	537	598
Talbot	293	265	312	268	314	319	266	111	440	442
THIRO CIRCUIT	8,085	7,287	8,294	8,247	8,103	9,646	7,357	6,689	7,958	8,245
Baltimore	6,406	5,718	6,505	6,580	6,349	8,006	5,626	5,062	6,055	6,476
Harford	1,679	1,569	1,789	1,667	1,754	1,640	1,731	1,627	1,903	1,769
FOURTH CIRCUIT	2,313	1,911	2,402	2,131	2,743	2,332	2,252	1,951	2,410	2,706
Allegany	815	581	900	737	969	767	640	523	759	785
Garrett	272	240	299	266	350	347	350	337	313	319
Washington	1,226	1,090	1,203	1,128	1,424	1,218	1,262	1,091	1,338	1,602
FIFTH CIRCUIT	7,991	6,231	9,143	7,774	8,935	8,357	6,741	6,044	7,658	6,044
Anne Arundel	6,105	4,958	7,098	6,215	6,652	5,661	4,597	4,028	5,286	4,179
Carroll	837	585	942	694	1,041	1,047	929	1,002	949	808
Howard	1,049	688	1,103	865	1,242	1,649	1,215	1,014	1,423	1,057
SIXTH CIRCUIT	6,544	5,365	6,636	6,372	6,901	5,397	6,605	5,029	7,119	5,268
Frederick	1,540	1,443	1,547	1,480	1,672	1,578	1,284	1,273	1,543	1,790
Montgomery	5,004	3,922	5,089	4,892	5,229	3,819	5,321	3,756	5,576	3,478
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	9,742	8,449	11,613	10,204	12,377	10,726	12,276	9,834	15,275	11,947
Calvert	431	395	482	476	613	473	829	818	619	674
Charles	675	586	769	764	847	788	1,317	1,047	1,210	1,443
Prince George's	7,880	6,750	9,725	8,261	10,159	8,717	9,163	7,178	12,539	8,584
St. Mary's	756	718	637	703	758	748	967	791	907	1,246
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	13,779	9,080	15,945	9,982	15,908	17,928	13,419	10,375	13,438	11,841
Baltimore City	13,779	9,080	15,945	9,982	15,908	17,928	13,419	10,375	13,438	11,841
STATE	53,631	43,337	59,610	49,989	60,976	60,313	53,728	44,688	59,781	52,170

TABLE CC-28

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
EQUITY CASES TRIED

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81*	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT	1,070	1,054	1,108	129	150
Dorchester	369	240	298	32	9
Somerset	91	62	75	8	26
Wicomico	419	619	661	82	101
Worcester	191	133	74	7	14
SECOND CIRCUIT	166	505	887	168	290
Caroline	43	36	49	6	1
Cecil	64	357	633	131	233
Kent	2	3	23	8	19
Queen Anne's	30	97	176	21	35
Talbot	27	12	6	2	2
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,083	2,948	3,230	891	877
Baltimore	3,018	2,858	2,871**	396	403
Harford	65	90	359	495	474
FOURTH CIRCUIT	129	109	600	125	255
Allegany	51	38	276	12	88
Garrett	55	64	154	41	76
Washington	23	7	170	72	91
FIFTH CIRCUIT	1,298	1,709	2,502	641	784
Anne Arundel	613	862	1,294**	415	611**
Carroll	327	357	507**	179	82**
Howard	358	490	701**	47	91**
SIXTH CIRCUIT	1,908	2,194	2,193	2,252	2,319
Frederick	39	189	257	139	252
Montgomery	1,869	2,005	1,936**	2,113	2,067**
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	4,156	4,178	4,375	1,222	2,169
Calvert	34	59	79	93	83
Charles	117	175	230	9	361
Prince George's	3,906	3,804	3,833**	1,026	1,711**
St. Mary's	99	140	233	94	14
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	2,920	2,431	1,767**	648	567**
Baltimore City	2,920	2,431	1,767**	648	567**
STATE	14,730	15,128	16,662	6,076	7,411

\*Some courts have included both nonjury trials and hearings. (See "Hearings" under definitions.)

\*\*Includes hearings before a master.

TABLE CC-29

EQUITY -- AVERAGE DAYS FROM FILING TO DISPOSITION BY AGE OF CASES  
AND CUMULATIVE PERCENTAGES OF DISPOSITIONS WITHIN  
SPECIFIC TIME PERIODS

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Cases	AVERAGE IN DAYS FILING TO DISPOSITION		PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL CASES DISPOSED OF LESS THAN:				
		All Cases	Excluding Cases Over 721 Days	61 Days	181 Days	361 Days	721 Days	1081 Days
FIRST CIRCUIT								
Dorchester	422	140	110	54.5	78.9	85.5	96.4	99.8
Somerset	320	146	63	65.9	81.9	88.1	91.3	98.4
Wicomico	1,098	141	125	45.3	78.9	86.3	98.3	99.5
Worcester	572	272	176	33.9	60.0	72.4	88.3	96.7
SECOND CIRCUIT								
Caroline	308	234	127	39.6	70.5	77.9	86.4	97.1
Cecil	904	199	123	47.0	71.0	80.4	91.4	98.5
Kent	254	182	170	46.9	69.3	80.7	94.9	98.8
Queen Anne's	385	165	163	39.7	70.9	83.1	97.4	100.0
Talbot	356	276	196	34.6	55.9	69.9	90.2	97.5
THIRD CIRCUIT								
Baltimore	5,800	351	164	27.4	57.4	68.1	81.2	91.2
Harford	1,665	246	168	37.2	63.4	73.0	90.8	97.3
FOURTH CIRCUIT								
Allegany	682	596	156	26.4	50.7	61.0	72.3	77.6
Garrett	290	220	151	37.6	67.2	77.2	92.4	97.6
Washington	1,461	277	206	30.7	58.1	73.9	88.6	95.5
FIFTH CIRCUIT								
Anne Arundel	3,303	249	159	29.0	63.3	78.9	90.6	97.0
Carroll	772	193	147	34.7	69.2	84.3	94.8	98.1
Howard	985	282	201	14.2	53.8	74.3	90.1	97.3
SIXTH CIRCUIT								
Frederick	1,561	259	151	36.1	65.5	75.0	88.4	95.3
Montgomery	3,447	274	196	15.4	56.6	76.2	91.6	96.9
SEVENTH CIRCUIT								
Calvert	505	257	178	32.7	58.8	71.7	90.3	97.6
Charles	1,037	192	166	33.1	67.2	84.3	94.9	99.2
Prince George's	7,708	231	177	25.4	61.7	80.1	93.3	98.3
St. Mary's	935	230	183	27.0	59.7	78.7	94.7	98.3
EIGHTH CIRCUIT								
Baltimore City								
Circuit Court 1	4,177	293	180	20.1	56.6	73.3	85.8	97.1
Circuit Court 2	7,577	225	149	31.4	65.4	82.9	92.4	97.3
STATE	46,524	259	165	28.8	62.0	77.2	89.9	96.4

NOTE: Does not include reopened cases or cases with incorrect termination dates. In some counties the number of terminated cases may differ and will be lower than figures appearing on other pages in this report.

TABLE CC-30

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
CRIMINAL CASES  
FILINGS AND TERMINATIONS

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	COMBINED ORIGINAL AND REOPENED CASES FILED AND TERMINATED						COMBINED ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND TERMINATED AND REOPENED CASES HEARD			
	1977-78*		1978-79*		1979-80*		1980-81*		1981-82**	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
FIRST CIRCUIT	977	1,309	890	887	1,124	1,002	2,063	1,395	1,263	2,048
Dorchester	206	225	139	148	157	141	225	140	160	247
Somerset	86	117	94	81	149	139	176	124	92	92
Wicomico	351	618	405	390	482	472	712	582	609	778
Worcester	334	349	252	268	336	250	950	549	402	931
SECOND CIRCUIT	897	866	773	680	920	851	1,064	758	1,041	1,099
Caroline	101	117	70	56	100	118	102	68	109	105
Cecil	435	407	363	356	462	346	548	418	554	548
Kent	120	119	69	72	84	82	92	59	65	103
Queen Anne's	124	123	137	115	119	123	189	119	160	197
Talbot	117	100	134	81	155	182	133	94	153	146
THIRD CIRCUIT	4,681	4,476	4,939	4,581	4,791	5,368	5,807	4,656	5,604	5,574
Baltimore	4,103	3,884	4,258	4,013	4,173	4,609	4,862	3,850	4,718	4,636
Harford	578	592	681	568	618	759	945	806	886	938
FOURTH CIRCUIT	812	774	1,053	848	1,145	1,231	1,164	1,069	846	1,027
Allegany	204	177	288	256	277	286	331	271	230	294
Garrett	89	94	81	81	93	84	137	104	131	120
Washington	519	503	684	511	775	861	696	694	485	613
FIFTH CIRCUIT	3,311	3,078	3,123	3,090	3,171	3,660	4,439	3,651	4,158	4,483
Anne Arundel	2,274	2,215	2,078	2,189	1,915	2,091	2,547	2,186	2,485	2,559
Carroll	435	404	450	213	594	697	753	660	604	696
Howard	602	459	595	688	662	872	1,139	805	1,069	1,228
SIXTH CIRCUIT	1,935	1,740	1,714	1,443	2,083	1,833	2,723	1,947	2,719	2,316
Frederick	369	324	395	328	462	473	503	343	402	570
Montgomery	1,566	1,416	1,319	1,115	1,621	1,360	2,220	1,604	2,317	1,746
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,604	2,921	3,650	3,626	3,948	4,148	4,821	4,251	4,696	4,790
Calvert	234	183	179	246	170	217	306	248	226	328
Charles	480	501	770	545	876	951	684	771	479	489
Prince George's	2,734	2,106	2,533	2,647	2,724	2,804	3,555	3,000	3,785	3,703
St. Mary's	156	131	168	188	178	176	276	232	206	270
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	19,512	17,348	22,374	21,121	21,825	23,743	23,980	22,897	10,248	7,586
Baltimore City	19,512	17,348	22,374	21,121	21,825	23,743	23,980	22,897	10,248	7,586
STATE	35,729	32,512	38,516	36,276	39,007	41,836	46,061	40,624	30,575	28,923

\*One case represented one charge (count) rather than one incident in Baltimore City. An audit conducted in 1980 found that by using charge statistics Baltimore City reported 2.19 times the number of filings and 2.01 times the number of terminations as would have been reported under a system comparable to other counties.

\*\*Baltimore City changed its counting procedures from individual charges to cases in July 1981. Cases are defined as charges arising out of a single incident. Thus, one case represents one incident.

NOTE: Included in the termination figures are criminal cases which are actually closed but remain on the open case file because of CJIS considerations.

TABLE CC-31

CRIMINAL CASES  
RATIO OF TRIALS TO DISPOSITIONS

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Dispositions	Trials	Per- centages	Court Trials	Per- centages	Jury Trials	Per- centages
FIRST CIRCUIT	2,048	544	26.5	408	19.9	136	6.6
Dorchester	247	130	52.6	112	45.3	18	7.3
Somerset	92	85	92.4	72	78.3	13	14.1
Wicomico	778	260	33.4	177	22.7	83	10.7
Worcester	931	69	7.4	47	5.0	22	2.4
SECOND CIRCUIT	1,099	755	68.7	604	55.0	151	13.7
Caroline	105	60	57.1	51	48.6	9	8.5
Cecil	548	406	74.1	320	58.4	86	15.7
Kent	103	28	27.1	16	15.5	12	11.6
Queen Anne's	197	146	74.1	123	62.4	23	11.7
Talbot	146	115	78.8	94	64.4	21	14.4
THIRD CIRCUIT	5,574	2,683	48.1	2,576	46.2	107	1.9
Baltimore	4,636	2,543	54.9	2,493	53.8	50	1.1
Harford	938	140	14.9	83	8.8	57	6.1
FOURTH CIRCUIT	1,027	427	41.6	268	26.1	159	15.5
Allegany	294	268	91.1	215	73.1	53	18.0
Garrett	120	12	10.0	6	5.0	6	5.0
Washington	613	147	24.0	47	7.7	100	16.3
FIFTH CIRCUIT	4,483	2,101	46.8	1,853	41.3	248	5.5
Anne Arundel	2,559	818	31.9	656	25.6	162	6.3
Carroll	696	548	78.7	525	75.4	23	3.3
Howard	1,228	735	59.8	672	54.7	63	5.1
SIXTH CIRCUIT	2,316	348	15.0	102	4.4	246	10.6
Frederick	570	83	14.5	35	6.1	48	8.4
Montgomery	1,746	265	15.1	67	3.8	198	11.3
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	4,790	455	9.5	126	2.6	329	6.9
Calvert	328	36	11.0	19	5.8	17	5.2
Charles	489	38	7.8	14	2.9	24	4.9
Prince George's	3,703	369	10.0	89	2.4	280	7.6
St. Mary's	270	12	4.4	4	1.5	8	2.9
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	7,586	894	11.8	364	4.8	530	7.0
Baltimore City	7,586	894	11.8	364	4.8	530	7.0
STATE	28,923	8,207	28.4	6,301	21.8	1,906	6.6

NOTE: Some of the differences in criminal court trials and equity trials for courts of similar size may be due to the following reasons but current information is not available to identify variations by court. Some courts report stet cases as court trials, some courts report nolle prosequi cases as court trials, some courts report pleas as court trials, while some courts include hearings before a master.

TABLE CC-32

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
CRIMINAL CASES TRIED

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
FIRST CIRCUIT	823	511	638	500	544
Dorchester	201	138	134	53	130
Somerset	39	65	95	122	85
Wicomico	337	231	303	194	260
Worcester	246	77	106	131	69
SECOND CIRCUIT	500	263	281	559	755
Caroline	90	41	46	28	60
Cecil	274	159	167	337	406
Kent	20	14	13	40	28
Queen Anne's	52	35	39	106	146
Talbot	64	14	16	48	115
THIRD CIRCUIT	1,701	3,060	4,607	1,885	2,683
Baltimore	1,457	2,862	4,355	1,734	2,543
Harford	244	198	252	151	140
FOURTH CIRCUIT	376	414	397	406	427
Allegany	162	227	231	234	268
Garrett	58	41	12	24	12
Washington	156	146	154	148	147
FIFTH CIRCUIT	1,061	1,286	1,601	1,727	2,101
Anne Arundel	606	616	676	757	818
Carroll	329	175	424	479	548
Howard	126	495	501	491	735
SIXTH CIRCUIT	406	345	274	329	348
Frederick	52	40	32	85	83
Montgomery	354	305	242	244	265
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	504	453	473	607	455
Calvert	42	30	28	27	36
Charles	58	39	41	71	38
Prince George's	364	367	388	490	369
St. Mary's	40	17	16	19	12
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	3,418	5,550	5,734	5,052	894
Baltimore City	3,418	5,550	5,734	5,052	894
STATE	8,789	11,882	14,005	11,065	8,207

NOTE: Some of the differences in criminal court trials and equity trials for courts of similar size may be due to the following reasons but current information is not available to identify variations by court. Some courts report stet cases as court trials, some courts report nolle prosequi cases as court trials, some courts report pleas as court trials, while some courts include hearings before a master.

TABLE CC-33

CRIMINAL -- AVERAGE DAYS FROM FILING TO DISPOSITION BY AGE OF CASES  
AND CUMULATIVE PERCENTAGES OF DISPOSITIONS WITHIN  
SPECIFIC TIME PERIODS

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Cases	AVERAGE IN DAYS FILING TO DISPOSITION		PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL CASES DISPOSED OF LESS THAN:				
		All Cases	Excluding Cases Over 360 Days	61 Days	91 Days	121 Days	181 Days	361 Days
FIRST CIRCUIT								
Dorchester	210	122	122	11.4	32.4	57.6	83.8	100.0
Somerset	88	191	85	33.0	61.4	69.3	77.3	87.5
Wicomico	664	124	88	27.3	56.5	78.6	92.5	96.4
Worcester	909	190	169	5.6	14.7	24.5	55.2	95.2
SECOND CIRCUIT								
Caroline	92	127	119	15.2	39.1	56.5	82.6	98.9
Cecil	502	168	147	14.1	19.5	28.9	65.5	95.2
Kent	90	149	140	12.2	24.4	37.8	66.7	97.8
Queen Anne's	166	189	154	6.0	16.3	31.9	66.9	94.0
Talbot	130	129	117	19.2	33.1	52.3	86.2	97.7
THIRD CIRCUIT								
Baltimore	4,092	118	101	28.9	51.8	70.0	85.4	96.8
Harford	640	299	176	5.0	16.4	25.6	45.3	83.9
FOURTH CIRCUIT								
Allegany	290	166	109	31.7	44.5	57.9	72.4	90.7
Garrett	116	144	141	19.0	28.4	37.1	75.0	99.1
Washington	541	170	117	17.4	43.4	56.2	76.2	92.2
FIFTH CIRCUIT								
Anne Arundel	2,085	158	138	10.1	25.9	45.7	71.8	94.9
Carroll	606	186	153	5.8	13.5	31.7	68.6	94.4
Howard	1,040	148	134	17.8	29.0	47.7	74.1	97.3
SIXTH CIRCUIT								
Frederick	516	142	111	27.7	39.1	57.6	80.4	95.0
Montgomery	1,688	176	146	15.8	25.7	35.8	64.8	94.4
SEVENTH CIRCUIT								
Calvert	253	145	107	18.6	43.5	55.7	85.8	93.3
Charles	410	145	110	14.4	32.7	57.6	86.3	94.1
Prince George's	3,412	188	151	6.8	21.1	37.7	63.8	92.7
St. Mary's	187	145	123	17.1	34.8	57.8	78.6	94.7
EIGHTH CIRCUIT								
Baltimore City	7,586	139	128	22.2	32.1	49.0	74.6	96.0
STATE	26,313	155	130	18.0	32.3	48.8	73.3	95.0

NOTE: Does not include reopened cases or cases with incorrect termination dates. In some counties the number of terminated cases may differ slightly and will be lower than figures appearing on other tables in this report.

TABLE CC-34

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
JUVENILE CAUSES  
FILINGS AND TERMINATIONS

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	COMBINED ORIGINAL AND REOPENED CASES FILED AND TERMINATED						COMBINED ORIGINAL CASES FILED AND TERMINATED AND REOPENED CASES HEARD			
	1977-78		1978-79		1979-80		1980-81		1981-82	
	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T	F	T
FIRST CIRCUIT	536	574	503	479	520	558	529	453	493	466
Dorchester	188	201	150	135	173	195	94	78	94	63
Somerset	53	54	62	46	56	71	59	56	48	51
Wicomico	161	184	180	187	158	159	210	185	220	238
Worcester	134	135	111	111	133	133	166	134	131	114
SECONO CIRCUIT	553	579	619	600	594	609	449	411	575	607
Caroline	79	78	87	84	65	78	51	49	81	66
Cecil	239	256	253	242	236	248	192	207	271	272
Kent	60	63	53	57	72	78	39	33	32	29
Queen Anne's	71	66	111	105	84	85	87	64	107	139
Talbot	104	116	115	112	137	120	80	58	84	101
THIRO CIRCUIT	2,180	1,940	2,616	2,321	2,692	2,816	2,849	2,557	3,294	3,326
Baltimore	1,593	1,540	1,996	1,666	2,228	2,151	2,288	2,140	2,656	2,899
Harford	587	400	620	655	464	665	561	417	638	427
FOURTH CIRCUIT	980	999	1,044	1,048	1,054	1,035	851	770	886	919
Allegany	409	411	448	448	424	402	363	334	378	366
Garrett	143	151	118	120	128	130	131	117	103	107
Washington	428	437	478	480	502	503	357	319	405	446
FIFTH CIRCUIT	2,565	2,740	2,160	2,428	2,428	2,464	2,885	2,638	3,182	2,975
Anne Arundel	1,778	2,011	1,513	1,660	1,550	1,513	1,869	1,752	2,184	2,006
Carroll	364	318	388	378	471	528	489	448	554	550
Howard	423	411	259	390	407	423	527	438	444	419
SIXTH CIRCUIT	2,285	2,509	2,224	2,469	2,711	2,903	2,634	1,724	3,525	3,663
Frederick	176	214	225	237	184	195	224	195	256	229
Montgomery*	2,109	2,295	1,999	2,232	2,527	2,708	2,410	1,529	3,269	3,434
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	5,890	6,070	4,657	4,281	4,838	5,426	5,431	4,861	6,677	6,883
Calvert	206	240	193	201	347	323	366	323	332	389
Charles	532	511	394	393	441	427	477	427	707	673
Prince George's	4,884	5,097	3,873	3,451	3,795	4,435	4,369	3,938	5,470	5,588
St. Mary's	268	222	197	236	255	241	219	173	168	233
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	9,592	9,207	11,663	9,866	11,807	12,900	9,743	8,487	11,118	9,669
Baltimore City	9,592	9,207	11,663	9,866	11,807	12,900	9,743	8,487	11,118	9,669
STATE	24,581	24,618	25,486	23,492	26,644	28,711	25,371	21,901	29,750	28,508

\*Includes juvenile causes processed at the District Court level.

TABLE CC-35

JUVENILE -- AVERAGE DAYS FROM FILING TO DISPOSITION BY AGE OF CASES  
AND CUMULATIVE PERCENTAGES OF DISPOSITIONS WITHIN  
SPECIFIC TIME PERIODS

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Cases	AVERAGE IN DAYS FILING TO DISPOSITION		PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL CASES DISPOSED OF LESS THAN:					
		All Cases	Excluding Cases Over 271 Oays	31 Oays	61 Oays	121 Oays	181 Days	271 Oays	361 Oays
FIRST CIRCUIT									
Dorchester	63	41	41	31.7	90.5	98.4	100.0	100.0	100.0
Somerset	47	53	20	80.9	87.2	91.5	93.6	93.6	93.6
Wicomico	189	42	34	57.7	88.9	95.8	96.3	98.4	98.4
Worcester	111	52	52	28.8	74.8	93.7	97.3	100.0	100.0
SECOND CIRCUIT									
Caroline	53	27	27	60.4	98.1	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Cecil	252	35	35	51.2	92.5	99.2	99.6	100.0	100.0
Kent	21	47	47	52.4	90.5	90.5	95.2	100.0	100.0
Queen Anne's	106	56	53	49.1	74.5	85.8	87.7	99.1	99.1
Talbot	101	80	53	29.7	68.3	86.1	92.1	94.1	95.0
THIRD CIRCUIT									
Baltimore	2,578	162	57	21.6	57.4	84.5	87.9	90.0	92.0
Harford	427	64	62	14.8	51.8	95.6	98.8	99.3	100.0
FOURTH CIRCUIT									
Allegany	366	26	21	77.9	90.2	97.5	98.9	99.2	99.2
Garrett	94	55	36	63.8	81.9	92.6	93.6	94.7	94.7
Washington	371	39	33	63.6	83.3	97.0	98.7	98.9	98.9
FIFTH CIRCUIT									
Anne Arundel	1,339	105	86	8.9	30.0	77.5	89.8	95.2	97.1
Carroll	379	68	61	18.5	56.2	91.3	95.0	97.9	98.9
Howard	369	74	69	16.0	58.3	85.4	93.8	98.6	99.2
SIXTH CIRCUIT									
Frederick	156	68	61	28.2	46.8	91.7	95.5	98.1	98.7
Montgomery	2,284	238	84	11.1	28.0	55.1	66.2	71.3	74.6
SEVENTH CIRCUIT									
Calvert	356	110	80	14.0	42.7	75.3	85.4	93.0	94.7
Charles	511	76	72	9.0	40.9	86.9	97.5	98.8	99.2
Prince George's	3,897	50	44	45.4	75.7	92.3	95.9	98.3	99.3
St. Mary's	215	88	70	12.6	36.7	87.4	94.0	95.8	96.3
EIGHTH CIRCUIT									
Baltimore City	8,265	116	52	32.7	65.5	87.0	91.3	93.6	94.6
STATE	22,550	112	56	30.1	60.1	84.6	89.9	92.6	94.0

NOTE: Does not include reopened cases or cases with incorrect termination dates. In some counties the number of terminated cases may differ slightly and will be lower than figures appearing on other tables in this report.

THE DISTRICT COURT



## THE DISTRICT COURT

The District Court processed 636,427 motor vehicle cases, 135,447 criminal cases, and 509,254 civil cases in Fiscal 1982. The District Court for Montgomery County also reported an additional 3,269 juvenile filings.

Statewide, 176,404 motor vehicle cases went to trial, with the remaining 434,619 being disposed of without trial by payment or forfeiture. Baltimore County recorded the most motor vehicle trials, 47,293, followed by Baltimore City with 27,194 and Prince George's County with 18,720. Kent County registered the smallest number of motor vehicle trials, 396.

Over 34 percent of the District Court criminal caseload was processed in Baltimore City. The four largest counties accounted for 43 percent (58,685 cases) of the criminal workload, with Prince George's having the highest activity, followed by Baltimore, Montgomery, and Anne Arundel Counties. The smallest caseload in the criminal area was noted in Queen Anne's County, where 400 cases were terminated.

Filings in the civil area increased by 5.6 percent from 1980-81 to 1981-82. Baltimore City, as usual, accounted for the majority of civil filings, 185,921, followed by Prince George's and Baltimore Counties with 121,937 and 76,051, respectively. Somerset County recorded the smallest number of civil actions, 758.

Statistical charts reflecting the workload of the District Court follow.

TABLE DC-1

MOTOR VEHICLE, CRIMINAL, AND CIVIL CASES FILED OR PROCESSED  
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Motor Vehicle	Criminal	Civil	Total
DISTRICT 1				
Baltimore City	60,931	47,095	185,921	293,947
DISTRICT 2				
Dorchester	3,790	913	2,113	6,816
Somerset	5,298	567	758	6,623
Wicomico	15,796	1,946	3,820	21,562
Worcester	11,217	1,828	1,914	14,959
DISTRICT 3				
Caroline	2,894	848	921	4,663
Cecil	21,316	1,948	1,851	25,115
Kent	3,062	463	925	4,450
Queen Anne's	6,509	400	1,113	8,022
Talbot	6,065	656	1,075	7,796
DISTRICT 4				
Calvert	6,103	858	1,379	8,340
Charles	9,395	2,248	2,832	14,475
St. Mary's	6,780	1,420	1,820	10,020
DISTRICT 5				
Prince George's	105,947	20,174	121,937	248,058
DISTRICT 6				
Montgomery	110,053	14,685	45,059	169,797
DISTRICT 7				
Anne Arundel	43,939	8,490	27,181	79,610
DISTRICT 8				
Baltimore	98,615	15,336	76,051	190,002
DISTRICT 9				
Harford	22,972	2,669	8,558	34,199
DISTRICT 10				
Carroll	7,538	1,419	3,164	12,121
Howard	33,518	3,095	7,959	44,572
DISTRICT 11				
Frederick	22,875	2,518	4,855	30,248
Washington	18,557	2,539	5,680	26,776
DISTRICT 12				
Allegany	9,874	2,578	1,570	14,022
Garrett	3,383	754	798	4,935
STATE	636,427	135,447	509,254	1,281,128

TABLE DC-2

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
MOTOR VEHICLE, CRIMINAL, AND CIVIL CASES  
FILED IN THE DISTRICT COURT

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80 <sup>a</sup>	1980-81 <sup>b,c</sup>	1981-82
DISTRICT 1					
Baltimore City	295,798	270,162	230,333	282,352	293,947
DISTRICT 2					
Dorchester	8,786	6,620	6,679	8,006	6,816
Somerset	6,191	4,767	4,112	6,347	6,623
Wicomico	15,492	16,117	15,701	22,289	21,562
Worcester	9,290	9,701	11,220	18,360	14,959
DISTRICT 3					
Caroline	5,777	4,668	4,015	4,763	4,663
Cecil	38,654	33,365	30,958	26,716	25,115
Kent	3,770	3,652	2,337	3,860	4,450
Queen Anne's	6,988	6,285	5,886	7,162	8,022
Talbot	6,991	6,562	6,234	7,993	7,796
DISTRICT 4					
Calvert	7,955	7,441	7,542	7,631	8,340
Charles	12,534	12,357	12,382	13,724	14,475
St. Mary's	8,848	9,847	8,938	9,303	10,020
DISTRICT 5					
Prince George's	241,791	227,970	224,327	250,362	248,058
DISTRICT 6					
Montgomery	105,368	114,277	54,919	153,278	169,797
DISTRICT 7					
Anne Arundel	71,406	73,023	65,648	76,466	79,610
DISTRICT 8					
Baltimore	183,754	184,507	114,830	215,654	190,002
DISTRICT 9					
Harford	38,232	34,628	31,692	34,338	34,199
DISTRICT 10					
Carroll	14,931	14,813	11,476	12,588	12,121
Howard	32,475	33,309	32,471	39,332	44,572
DISTRICT 11					
Frederick	29,142	26,993	28,261	30,426	30,248
Washington	23,432	22,816	24,533	26,558	26,776
DISTRICT 12					
Allegany	10,453	11,796	12,529	13,225	14,022
Garrett	4,649	5,275	5,421	5,067	4,935
STATE	1,182,707	1,140,951	1,040,214 <sup>d</sup>	1,275,800	1,281,128

<sup>a</sup>Criminal figures not included in 1979-80.

<sup>b</sup>Criminal figures are not available for the months of July and August 1980 for all jurisdictions and for Baltimore City for September 1980 as well. Above statistics have been adjusted by District Court personnel to reflect comparable annual totals.

<sup>c</sup>These figures have been adjusted and are not consistent with previous 1980-81 figures.

<sup>d</sup>Total includes 87,770 motor vehicle cases paid in Districts 6 or 8 that were not tabulated by separate jurisdiction.

TABLE DC-3

POPULATION AND CASELOAD PER DISTRICT COURT JUDGE<sup>a</sup>  
AS OF JUNE 30, 1982JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Number of Judges	Population Per Judge <sup>b</sup>	CASES FILED PER JUDGE			
			Civil	Motor Vehicle	Criminal	Total
DISTRICT 1						
Baltimore City	22	34,605	8,451	2,770	2,141	13,362
DISTRICT 2						
Dorchester	1	30,900	2,113	3,790	913	6,816
Somerset	1	19,300	758	5,298	567	6,623
Wicomico	1	66,900	3,820	15,796	1,946	21,562
Worcester	1	32,400	1,914	11,217	1,828	14,959
DISTRICT 3						
Caroline	1	23,900	921	2,894	848	4,663
Cecil	2	31,000	926	10,658	974	12,558
Kent	1	16,800	925	3,062	463	4,450
Queen Anne's	1	27,300	1,113	6,509	400	8,022
Talbot	1	26,000	1,075	6,065	656	7,796
DISTRICT 4						
Calvert	1	38,000	1,379	6,103	858	8,340
Charles	1	78,800	2,832	9,395	2,248	14,475
St. Mary's	1	62,800	1,820	6,780	1,420	10,020
DISTRICT 5						
Prince George's	9	73,922	13,549	11,772	2,242	27,563
DISTRICT 6						
Montgomery	7 <sup>c</sup>	84,614	6,437	15,722	2,098	24,257
DISTRICT 7						
Anne Arundel	6	64,617	4,530	7,323	1,213	13,066
DISTRICT 8						
Baltimore	12	55,283	6,338	8,218	1,278	15,834
DISTRICT 9						
Harford	3	50,900	2,853	7,657	890	11,400
DISTRICT 10						
Carroll	2	51,400	1,582	3,769	710	6,061
Howard	3	43,967	2,653	11,173	1,032	14,858
DISTRICT 11						
Frederick	2	60,800	2,428	11,438	1,259	15,125
Washington	2	57,600	2,840	9,279	1,270	13,389
DISTRICT 12						
Allegany	2	39,900	785	4,937	1,289	7,011
Garrett	1	27,700	798	3,383	754	4,935
STATE	84	51,033	6,063	7,577	1,612	15,252

<sup>a</sup>Chief Judge of District Court not included in statistics.<sup>b</sup>Number of judges as of June 30, 1982.<sup>c</sup>Population estimate for July 1, 1982, issued by the Maryland Center for Health Statistics.<sup>d</sup>Two Juvenile Court judges and juvenile causes omitted as included in juvenile statistics.

TABLE OC-4

CASES FILED OR PROCESSED IN THE DISTRICT COURT  
PER THOUSAND POPULATION

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Population*	Civil	Motor Vehicle	Criminal	Total
DISTRICT 1					
Baltimore City	761,300	244	80	62	386
DISTRICT 2					
Dorchester	30,900	68	123	30	221
Somerset	19,300	39	275	29	343
Wicomico	66,900	57	236	29	322
Worcester	32,400	59	346	56	461
DISTRICT 3					
Caroline	23,900	39	121	35	195
Cecil	62,000	30	344	31	405
Kent	16,800	55	182	28	265
Queen Anne's	27,300	41	238	15	294
Talbot	26,000	41	233	25	299
DISTRICT 4					
Calvert	38,000	36	161	23	220
Charles	78,800	36	119	29	184
St. Mary's	62,800	29	108	23	160
DISTRICT 5					
Prince George's	665,300	183	159	30	372
DISTRICT 6					
Montgomery	592,300	76	186	25	287
DISTRICT 7					
Anne Arundel	387,700	70	113	22	205
DISTRICT 8					
Baltimore	663,400	115	149	23	287
DISTRICT 9					
Harford	152,700	56	150	17	223
DISTRICT 10					
Carroll	102,800	31	73	14	118
Howard	131,900	60	254	23	337
DISTRICT 11					
Frederick	121,600	40	188	21	249
Washington	115,200	49	161	22	232
DISTRICT 12					
Allegany	79,800	20	124	32	176
Garrett	27,700	29	122	27	178
STATE	4,286,800	119	148	32	299

\*Population estimate for July 1, 1982, issued by the Maryland Center for Health Statistics.

TABLE DC-5

MOTOR VEHICLE CASES PROCESSED BY THE  
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLANDJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	Cases Tried <sup>a</sup>	Cases Paid <sup>b</sup>	Other Dispositions <sup>c</sup>	Total Cases Disposed
DISTRICT 1				
Baltimore City	27,194	31,194	2,543	60,931
DISTRICT 2				
Dorchester	963	2,676	151	3,790
Somerset	645	4,542	111	5,298
Wicomico	3,124	12,178	494	15,796
Worcester	2,046	8,555	616	11,217
DISTRICT 3				
Caroline	613	2,209	72	2,894
Cecil	2,330	18,790	196	21,316
Kent	396	2,575	91	3,062
Queen Anne's	1,048	5,243	218	6,509
Talbot	1,257	4,693	115	6,065
DISTRICT 4				
Calvert	1,788	3,611	704	6,103
Charles	1,700	6,954	741	9,395
St. Mary's	1,070	4,580	1,130	6,780
DISTRICT 5				
Prince George's	18,720	84,202	3,025	105,947
DISTRICT 6				
Montgomery	21,516	82,295	6,242	110,053
DISTRICT 7				
Anne Arundel	17,137	25,238	1,564	43,939
DISTRICT 8				
Baltimore	47,293	48,411	2,911	98,615
DISTRICT 9				
Harford	6,024	16,608	340	22,972
DISTRICT 10				
Carroll	2,267	4,914	357	7,538
Howard	8,764	23,810	944	33,518
DISTRICT 11				
Frederick	4,158	17,467	1,250	22,875
Washington	2,669	15,126	762	18,557
DISTRICT 12				
Allegany	2,774	6,423	677	9,874
Garrett	908	2,325	150	3,383
STATE	176,404	434,619	25,404	636,427

<sup>a</sup>Includes guilty, not guilty, and probation before judgment.<sup>b</sup>Includes collateral forfeited and citations paid without court appearance.<sup>c</sup>Includes nol prosses, stets, dismissals, and prayers for jury trials.

TABLE DC-6

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
MOTOR VEHICLE CASES  
PROCESSED BY THE DISTRICT COURT

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81 <sup>a</sup>	1981-82
DISTRICT 1					
Baltimore City	90,861	69,892	61,060	61,164	60,931
DISTRICT 2					
Dorchester	6,560	4,469	4,860	4,863	3,790
Somerset	4,944	3,491	3,265	4,715	5,298
Wicomico	11,068	11,551	12,006	16,453	15,796
Worcester	6,457	6,986	9,537	14,854	11,217
DISTRICT 3					
Caroline	4,806	3,739	3,120	3,204	2,894
Cecil	35,898	30,559	29,469	23,330	21,316
Kent	2,945	2,753	1,765	2,651	3,062
Queen Anne's	6,142	5,279	4,956	5,794	6,509
Talbot	5,805	5,315	5,320	6,317	6,065
DISTRICT 4					
Calvert	6,555	5,917	6,266	5,662	6,103
Charles	9,960	9,610	10,515	9,397	9,395
St. Mary's	6,719	7,639	7,275	6,139	6,780
DISTRICT 5					
Prince George's	132,588	112,424	109,434	111,562	105,947
DISTRICT 6					
Montgomery	65,661	72,674	17,524	100,708	110,053
DISTRICT 7					
Anne Arundel	45,100	44,143	39,685	41,023	43,939
DISTRICT 8					
Baltimore	119,552	116,341	48,423	130,657	98,615
DISTRICT 9					
Harford	29,968	26,319	24,153	23,964	22,972
DISTRICT 10					
Carroll	11,862	11,137	8,679	8,214	7,538
Howard	25,448	25,696	26,217	29,252	33,518
DISTRICT 11					
Frederick	24,751	22,094	24,722	23,763	22,875
Washington	18,073	17,035	19,598	18,205	18,557
DISTRICT 12					
Allegany	7,900	9,142	11,123	8,984	9,874
Garrett	3,622	4,203	4,746	3,712	3,383
STATE	683,245	628,408	581,488 <sup>b</sup>	664,587	636,427

<sup>a</sup>These figures have been adjusted and are not consistent with previous 1980-81 figures.

<sup>b</sup>Total includes 87,770 cases paid in Districts 6 or 8 that were not tabulated by separate jurisdiction.

TABLE DC-7

CRIMINAL CASES PROCESSED BY THE  
DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLANDJULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

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DISTRICT 1	
Baltimore City	47,095
DISTRICT 2	
Dorchester	913
Somerset	567
Wicomico	1,946
Worcester	1,828
DISTRICT 3	
Caroline	848
Cecil	1,948
Kent	463
Queen Anne's	400
Talbot	656
DISTRICT 4	
Calvert	858
Charles	2,248
St. Mary's	1,420
DISTRICT 5	
Prince George's	20,174
DISTRICT 6	
Montgomery	14,685
DISTRICT 7	
Anne Arundel	8,490
DISTRICT 8	
Baltimore	15,336
DISTRICT 9	
Harford	2,669
DISTRICT 10	
Carroll	1,419
Howard	3,095
DISTRICT 11	
Frederick	2,518
Washington	2,539
DISTRICT 12	
Allegany	2,578
Garrett	754
STATE	135,447

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TABLE DC-8

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
CRIMINAL CASES BY THE NUMBER OF DEFENDANTS CHARGED  
PROCESSED IN THE DISTRICT COURT

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80*	1980-81**	1981-82
DISTRICT 1					
Baltimore City	41,502	35,647	41,413	46,215	47,095
DISTRICT 2					
Dorchester	965	740	973	954	913
Somerset	578	549	664	785	567
Wicomico	1,359	1,327	1,534	1,819	1,946
Worcester	1,349	1,066	1,382	1,801	1,828
DISTRICT 3					
Caroline	374	210	334	663	848
Cecil	1,500	1,388	1,426	1,845	1,948
Kent	304	324	341	355	463
Queen Anne's	286	256	269	425	400
Talbot	582	613	561	653	656
DISTRICT 4					
Calvert	493	476	562	809	858
Charles	1,164	1,139	1,235	2,029	2,248
St. Mary's	963	921	1,071	1,404	1,420
DISTRICT 5					
Prince George's	10,868	8,282	11,160	17,870	20,174
DISTRICT 6					
Montgomery	8,380	5,298	6,398	11,717	14,685
DISTRICT 7					
Anne Arundel	7,907	7,037	7,698	8,914	8,490
DISTRICT 8					
Baltimore	11,271	12,424	11,181	14,754	15,336
DISTRICT 9					
Harford	2,283	2,273	2,372	2,601	2,669
DISTRICT 10					
Carroll	1,167	1,061	1,033	1,530	1,419
Howard	2,234	1,909	1,925	3,238	3,095
DISTRICT 11					
Frederick	1,950	1,786	1,955	2,354	2,518
Washington	1,852	2,141	1,931	2,918	2,539
DISTRICT 12					
Allegany	1,426	1,509	1,571	2,731	2,578
Garrett	445	463	416	606	754
STATE	101,202	88,839	99,405	128,990	135,447

\*Actual figures for 1979-80 not available. Figures shown have been submitted as estimates by District Court personnel.

\*\*Criminal figures are not available for the months of July and August 1980 for all jurisdictions and for Baltimore City for September 1980 as well. Above statistics have been adjusted by District Court personnel to reflect comparable annual totals.

TABLE DC-9

## CIVIL CASES FILED IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND

JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982  
FISCAL 1982

	LANDLORD AND TENANT CASES		CONTRACT AND TORT CASES		OTHER CASES		TOTALS	
	Filed	Contested	Filed	Contested	Filed	Hearings Held	Filed	Contested
DISTRICT 1								
Baltimore City	146,014	16,034	34,578	2,883	5,329	2,338	185,921	21,255
DISTRICT 2								
Dorchester	477	25	1,406	72	230	123	2,113	220
Somerset	83	46	569	117	106	63	758	226
Wicomico	1,382	18	2,109	222	329	199	3,820	439
Worcester	191	57	1,309	174	414	118	1,914	349
DISTRICT 3								
Caroline	136	26	712	25	73	19	921	70
Cecil	318	75	1,400	114	133	39	1,851	228
Kent	54	22	819	30	52	18	925	70
Queen Anne's	100	27	923	47	90	7	1,113	81
Talbot	138	27	857	172	80	24	1,075	223
DISTRICT 4								
Calvert	92	26	1,168	87	119	27	1,379	140
Charles	730	36	1,799	118	303	126	2,832	280
St. Mary's	372	52	1,273	99	175	90	1,820	241
DISTRICT 5								
Prince George's	94,722	7,038	24,414	1,892	2,801	884	121,937	9,814
DISTRICT 6								
Montgomery*	24,855	1,054	18,117	1,423	2,087	177	45,059	2,654
DISTRICT 7								
Anne Arundel	14,649	958	11,256	1,811	1,276	732	27,181	3,501
DISTRICT 8								
Baltimore	55,980	2,716	17,677	2,123	2,394	1,626	76,051	6,465
DISTRICT 9								
Harford	4,261	345	3,987	325	310	82	8,558	752
DISTRICT 10								
Carroll	737	96	2,088	146	339	55	3,164	297
Howard	3,740	195	3,806	452	413	114	7,959	761
DISTRICT 11								
Frederick	1,638	167	2,878	211	339	169	4,855	547
Washington	1,303	190	3,735	234	642	113	5,680	537
DISTRICT 12								
Allegany	157	59	1,357	287	56	30	1,570	376
Garrett	72	12	683	50	43	32	798	94
STATE	352,201	29,301	138,920	13,114	18,133	7,205	509,254	49,620

\*Juvenile causes not included.

TABLE DC-10

FIVE-YEAR COMPARATIVE TABLE  
 CIVIL CASES  
 FILED IN THE THE DISTRICT COURT

FISCAL 1978 - FISCAL 1982

	1977-78	1978-79	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82
DISTRICT 1					
Baltimore City	163,435	164,623	169,273	174,973	185,921
DISTRICT 2					
Dorchester	1,261	1,411	1,819	2,189	2,113
Somerset	669	727	847	847	758
Wicomico	3,065	3,239	3,695	4,017	3,820
Worcester	1,484	1,649	1,683	1,705	1,914
DISTRICT 3					
Caroline	597	719	895	896	921
Cecil	1,256	1,418	1,489	1,541	1,851
Kent	521	575	572	854	925
Queen Anne's	560	750	930	943	1,113
Talbot	604	634	914	1,023	1,075
DISTRICT 4					
Calvert	907	1,048	1,276	1,160	1,379
Charles	1,410	1,608	1,867	2,298	2,832
St. Mary's	1,166	1,287	1,663	1,760	1,820
DISTRICT 5					
Prince George's	98,335	107,264	114,893	120,930	121,937
DISTRICT 6					
Montgomery	31,327	36,305	37,395	40,853	45,059
DISTRICT 7					
Anne Arundel	18,399	21,843	25,963	26,529	27,181
DISTRICT 8					
Baltimore	52,931	55,742	66,407	70,243	76,051
DISTRICT 9					
Harford	5,981	6,036	7,539	7,773	8,558
DISTRICT 10					
Carroll	1,902	2,615	2,797	2,844	3,164
Howard	4,793	5,704	6,254	6,842	7,959
DISTRICT 11					
Frederick	2,441	3,113	3,539	4,309	4,855
Washington	3,507	3,640	4,935	5,435	5,680
DISTRICT 12					
Allegany	1,127	1,145	1,406	1,510	1,570
Garrett	582	609	675	749	798
STATE	398,260	423,704	458,726	482,223	509,254



APPENDIX



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Results of examinations given by the State Board of Law Examiners during Fiscal Year 1982 are as follows:

Examination	Number of Candidates	Total Successful Candidates	Number of Candidates Taking First Time	Number of Candidates Passing First Time*
SUMMER 1981 (July)	741	458 (61.81%)	611	432 (70.70%)
Graduates University of Baltimore	216	115 (53.24%)	155	107 (69.03%)
Graduates University of Maryland	199	145 (72.86%)	178	138 (77.52%)
Graduates Out-of-State Law Schools	326	198 (60.74%)	278	187 (67.26%)
WINTER 1982 (February)	513	357 (69.59%)	287	217 (75.61%)
Graduates University of Baltimore	151	104 (68.87%)	71	55 (77.46%)
Graduates University of Maryland	87	57 (65.52%)	36	25 (69.44%)
Graduates Out-of-State Law Schools	275	196 (71.27%)	180	137 (76.11%)

\*Percentages are based upon the number of first-time candidates.

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